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## Planning Board For Post-War Study Created

A postwar Planning Board was established at Fort Benning Monday for permanent study of plans for the use of the reservation in the future.

In appointing the board, Col. James O. Tarbox, acting post commander, named five members in addition to the post commander as chairman and appointed four ex-officio members to include representatives of all major commands.

The Planning Board will be a focal point for the study of all plans and measures affecting Fort Benning as a permanent postwar installation.

### SERVE ON BOARD

Serving on the board in addition to the post commander will be Lt. Col. Fred L. Ackerson, post engineer, as secretary; Col. William M. Soann, The Infantry School; Col. Glenn C. Salisbury, Lawson; and Lt. Col. William H. Pettigrew, a representative of the Chief of Engineers, office of the Division Engineer, South Atlantic Division.

Ex-officio members will include Col. John B. Smith of First Army; Col. James W. Courts, The Parachute School; Lt. Col. James E. Allen, fiscal division, and Maj. Frederick T. Kent, Jr., The Infantry School.

## School Board Reorganized

Re-organization of the School Board at Fort Benning was announced this week by Col. James O. Tarbox, acting post commander.

Lt. Col. Ernest J. Knott, chairman of the Boy's Activities Council, was named as president. He succeeded Lt. Col. Alexander H. Vessey, who has been separated from the service.

Other members of the board include Lt. Col. Robert S. Stroud, representative of The Infantry School; Maj. John M. Loh, Adjutant and Reservation Officer, Major (Chaplain) Frederick W. Helfer, Maj. Robert W. Wilkins, medical officer; 1st Lt. Arthur J. Monahan, post school officer and Maj. Brookner W. Brady, president of the Parent Teacher's Association.

## Reception Center Planning Thanksgiving Day Activity

By CPL W. A. HAGINS

What a Thanksgiving Day celebration at Fort Benning's Reception Center this year! It'll be the most peaceful "Turkey Day" since American soldiers mustered arms to protect this country's ideology during the recent global struggle.

Col. John P. Ederly, Commanding Officer of the Reception Center, recently announced that enlisted and commissioned personnel here could invite immediate family members and one friend to have Thanksgiving Day meals with them at the Reception Center Mess Hall.

### "TURKEY DAY" MENU

Here's the Thanksgiving Day menu for every soldier at the Reception Center: For breakfast they will have dry cereal, grapes, scrambled eggs, fresh milk, toast, butter, coffee, and apple butter. Dinner will consist of roast turkey, dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, creamed onions, green peas, pickles, lettuce salad, hot rolls, butter, pumpkin

## Special Services Thanksgiving Day In Post Chapels

Special Thanksgiving Day services will be conducted at both the Main Post Chapel and the Catholic Chapel on Thanksgiving Day morning.

Chaplain Frederick W. Helfer has announced. Both Protestant and Catholic services will be held simultaneously at 7 a. m. in the adjoining chapels on the Main Post.

Following the services high school students will meet in the parking lot between the chapels and form for a "mystery" hike. A breakfast will be held for the group at 8:30 a. m.

## Col. O'Mohundro Is Named CO Of 1st STR

Col. Wiley H. O'Mohundro, former chairman of the Staff Committee, The Infantry School, has been named Commanding Officer of 1st STR, The Infantry School, replacing Col. William S. May.

Colonel O'Mohundro went overseas in 1942 with the 1st Armored Division landing in Northern Ireland. He served in England, North Africa and landed at Salerno with the 36th Division. He joined the 1st Division as commander of the 1st Infantry Division at Anzio, going on through Rome and landing in Southern France.

Colonel O'Mohundro joined the Regular Army in 1914 receiving his commission as a second lieutenant in 1920. He graduated from The Infantry School in 1922.

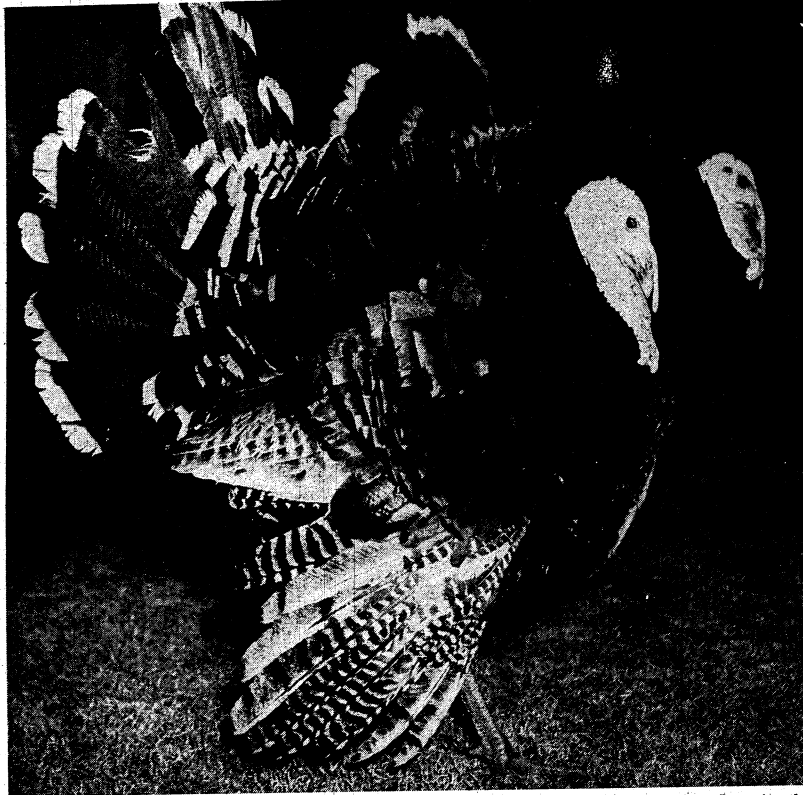
A member of the National Rifle team from 1921 to 1936, Colonel O'Mohundro placed second in the individual shooting in the National meet in 1923. He captained the team in 1935 and 1936.

Colonel O'Mohundro wears the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with oak leaf, and the French Croix De Guerre.

## Quail Season Opens Today For Hunters On The Reservation

Today has been set for the opening of the hunting season for quail, turkey, quail and rabbit, on the Fort Benning Reservation.

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SEEING DOUBLE?—If you can see two turkeys in the photo above then you have perfect 20-20 vision. In posing this exclusive Thanksgiving photo for the Bayonet, Photographer Jerry Tiffany figured that two turkeys would be better than one inasmuch as the usual GI Thanksgiving dinner always looks twice as big as an average one anyway. In addition to the meat from those elegant birds you see above, tomorrow's mess hall dinner will also have dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, creamed onions, lettuce salad, celery, green peas, mayonnaise, pickles, olives, hot rolls and butter, pumpkin pie, ice cream, oranges, candy, apples, nuts, coffee, and more turkey. Is your mouth watering? (Signal Lab Photo).

## Thanksgiving — — — 1945

By MAJOR FREDERICK W. HELFER, Post Chaplain

There seems to be a universal notion that ministers like to eat. Their fondness for chicken, cake and rich food is proverbial. This ministerial trait keeps the padre from becoming entirely otherworldly. At least three times a day he is of this earth early, middle and late. This eating habit also relates the pastor to all humanity. The man who jokes with the preacher about his liking for fowl usually has his own platter filled with drumsticks, upper joints and white meat.

Eating is a pleasant pastime. A friend of mine hiding behind a heaping plate of food remarked "This is my chief and most delightful indoor sport." Samuel Johnson has gone on record, "A man seldom thinks with more earnestness of anything than he does of his dinner." Polite conversation invariably turns to eating. It is the Louvre and coffee in Paris. It is Westminster and pie-and-rod in England. It is the Coliseum and Italian cooking in Rome. Along with all the cultured graces of any people is remembered their pastimes, featherbeds and lack of modern sanitation. We never get away from these CREATURE COMFORTS.

"We may live without poetry, music and art; We may live without conscience and live without heart; We may live without friends and live without books; But civilized man cannot live without cooks. He may live without books—what is knowledge but grieving? He may live without love—what is passion but pining? But where is the man who can live without dining?"

Religion is interested in bread! There was a time when it had little other interest. Large flocks, large crops, large lands and possessions, large families—such were the aim and end of religion. Even the deity was thought of in terms of the food supply. The sacred grain, the sacred cattle, the sacred harvest. Man's quest for the good life was thought of in terms of the tangibles of the world.

RELIGION STILL INTERESTED IN BREAD! As long as some are so selfish that they take more than they need while others have less than they need, religion will be interested in bread. For religious people there is the memory of the Passover Bread, or the Bread of the Communion

or of the Mass. And in the Prayer Universal are the words "Give us this day, our daily bread." The peace of the world, the brotherhood of man, will rest finally on our sharing the Bread of God.

What I have in mind "In Praise of Eating" is a word of praise for those who make it possible for us to eat. Farmers—great folk these who till the soil and sow the grain and reap the harvest and market this produce. A working shirt and a plow make the farmer's coat of arms. Miners, cooks, truck drivers, grocersmen, delivery boys, maids, waiters—all these make possible our daily bread.

Half the world still goes hungry. "It is doubtful if a majority of the inhabitants of either India or China ever lie down at night to rest after having known through the previous day the satisfaction of enough to eat. It is hard to get normal spiritual—to say nothing of supernatural experience—out of sub-human conditions."

Have you ever been hungry? Have you ever shared your bread with anyone who was hungry? In Judaism the corners of the fields were left uncultivated for the poor and the less fortunate were permitted to glean the fields for the grain which may have been dropped by the reapers. The entire religion of the prophets was based on justice for the workers and consideration for the poor. Any man's need is very other man's concern. Jesus is still known and revealed in the breaking of bread. If we share not our bread, there is no blessing of God.

"There are some of us who creep Into this world to eat and sleep And know not reason why we're born Except to consume the corn. Devour the cattle, flies and fish And leave behind an empty dish. And if our tombstones when we die Be not taught to flatter or to lie There's nothing better, can be said Than that He's eat up all his bread. Drunk up his drink and gone to bed."

—John Wesley  
When a man says "Bless the Lord O My Soul—and all that is within me, bless his holy name"—he must share his bread of blessing.  
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## Schoolboy Grid Classic In City Slated Tonight

The schoolboy grid classic of the season in Columbus will take place tonight in Memorial Stadium between Jordan High and Columbus High. Kickoff is scheduled for 8 p. m.

As usual, a large portion of the expected 15,000 crowd will be composed of Fort Benning personnel. Tickets are priced at \$1 each.

Through the generosity of members of the Columbus Quarterback Club, which is sponsoring the game as a charity affair, some 400 tickets at the ASF Regional Hospital will attend free of charge.

## Point Reduction To 55 Effective On December 1st

The War Department this week announced a reduction effective December 1 in the point score for enlisted men from the present 60 to 55 points, and for male officers from the present 75 to 73, both reductions being effective computed as of 2 Sept. 1945.

There was no reduction for WAC officers but enlisted women were reduced from the present 84 to 82 points.

The changes also provide for release upon application of all enlisted men with three or more children under 18 years of age dependent upon them for support, and all married members of the WAC, both officer and enlisted women, who enlisted prior to 12 May, 1945.

FOUR YEARS SERVICE With respect to male enlisted personnel, they will also be eligible for discharge if they have completed four years of service.

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## Applicants Take Examination For Foreign Service

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## Doughboys Seek Revenge Against Navy Saturday

The Fort Benning Doughboys will be seeking revenge for their worst defeat of the season when they invade Jacksonville, Fla., on Saturday afternoon for a return bout with the once-beaten Naval Air Station Fliers.

Although they are conceded small chance of victory, the Doughboys will be buoyed by the fact that the Corpus Christi (Tex.) Navy team, which also bowed to Jacksonville earlier in the year by a 35-7 count, turned around last week in a return game and handed the Fliers their only defeat by a 14-13 count.

### FOUR LOSSES

Jacksonville's record now shows eight wins against the one loss, while the Doughboys have won three, lost one and tied four in eight starts. Benning's victories, all in early season, came over Great Lakes, Keeler Field and Fort McClellan. Since then the Doughboys have lost three in a row to Jax Navy, Fort Pierce Navy and the Fliers at the Naval Air Station Field. The physical condition of the team, however, is considered "just fair" and several key men may watch much of the game from the bench.

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## How A Discharged Vet Can Buy A GI Truck In Three Easy Lessons!



### (1) CLOSING THE TRANSACTION

Here's how to buy that surplus property the government is offering veterans. The Bayonet here traces the fortunes of a former Fort Benning GI as he applied for veterans preference and finally obtained a truck at the Lawson Field sales last week. Sergeant, pardon, Mr. Ned Baber, formerly of Company "A," Academic Regiment of The Infantry School was discharged from the service recently when 60-pounds of business with his father-in-law in Atlanta, working on new home construction in the "Gate City." But one of Baber's prime needs was a light truck.

Visiting the Smaller War Plants Corporation offices in the Candler Building, Atlanta, Baber filed his application for vet-

### (2) CHECKING FOR NEEDED REPAIRS

erans preference for a three-quarter ton weapons carrier or pickup truck.

A week later the preference certificate was mailed to him and the general former sergeant kept an eye peeled for the next sale of surplus government property. The sale turned out to be in Lawson Field last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday when more than 300 trucks were sold.

Bright and early on Tuesday of last week, Baber went to inspect the trucks to be put up for sale the following day and took down a few numbers of trucks he would be interested in purchasing.

On the day of the sale, the old sarge waited patiently to register his veteran's certificate—a high numbered one at that,

Preference in buying cars and trucks went first to those holding the lowest numbered ones, relying on the theory of first come, first served.

Waiting until the end of the first day's sale was tedious to say the least, watching truck after truck—including your first choice truck—sold. But then his number finally came up and the sergeant asked the price on his second choice vehicle—a half-ton pickup cab enclosed machine.





## Original Paratroopers Get Commendation

Members of the Test Platoon, the first U. S. Army Paratrooper unit, have been commended for meritorious conduct in the performance of hazardous service from July to September, 1940, by War Department General Order No. 89, 1945.

Of the original history-making platoon of forty-eight men, the following are now stationed at The Parachute School, Warrant Officer Lloyd McCullough, Warrant Officer Ernest L. Dillburn, T-Sgt. John E. Barom, T-Sgt. Albert P. Robinson, all of the First Academic Company, T-Sgt. Joseph E. Doucet of the Second Academic Company, First Lieutenant Lemuel T. Pitts, of Company "A," First Parachute Training Regiment.

### COMMENDATION

The commendation is as follows: "The Test Platoon, Parachute Troops and Air Infantry, United States Army, is commended for meritorious conduct in the performance of hazardous service from July to September, 1940. Organized under the direction of the War Department at a strength of two officers and 48 enlisted men from selected volunteers of the 26th Infantry Regiment, it pioneered experimentation to determine the feasibility of employing paratroopers in modern warfare. Long and laborious application to dangerous assignments was necessary to carry out the tactical experiments. Beginning with parachute jumps from low altitudes, the tests went on to mass jumps on 22 August and the first successful platoon jump involving a tactical problem on 29 August. Although two men lost their lives and several were injured, the steadfastness and loyalty of purpose of every rank never faltered. The intricate problems of parachute technique were solved, special parachute equipment was

designed, test-jumped, and refined, and the organization and minor tactics of parachute infantry were established. Highly successful airborne operations in all theaters of operations throughout the war attest to the achievements of the Test Platoon."

### SERVE AS TUTORS

After completing experimental jump training, all men of the Test Platoon were notified that the 501st Battalion, the first such unit in the U. S. Army, would arrive at Fort Benning for jump training; men of the Test Platoon would serve as instructors.

Some of the Platoon were placed with the 501st when the Battalion later left Fort Benning for Panama. However, the majority of the Test Platoon served as cadre with the subsequent 302d Battalion and with later units.

## Academics Relying Heavily On USAFI in Reconversion

Whether they plan to go into business, return to school or the farm, or take up a new trade, men and women of the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School, States Armed Forces Institute, are relying heavily on USAFI courses for their "reconversion" to civilian life, according to a recent survey made by the regimental information and education office.

"Most of the 300 members of the regiment who have signed up for USAFI courses this year have picked subjects which gear perfectly with their plans for the future," the I-and-E office announced.

Sergeant Roberta Schelb, for example, is studying aeronautical meteorology because she plans to go into partnership to manage an airfield and flight school on the west coast. "My next USAFI course will be navigation," says Sergeant Schelb, who worked for the Air Forces before her enlistment and has made numerous long-distance flights.

Institute courses in railroad management, transportation, S-Sgt. William Howard, former reconversion company on the Union Pacific Railroad, is working hard on "Freight Rules and Classification" and will also take the traffic management course. T-Sgt. E. M. Peterson is taking railroad transportation with an eye to advancement when he returns to his job as ticket agent in Grand Central terminal, New York.

Soldiers planning to go into business after the war have discovered that USAFI's two-dollar enrollment fee is a first-class investment. Thinking of starting a retail clothing outlet in Leipzig, Ohio, Sgt. Orrin L. Hunter finds his business management course "just what I need."

Cpl. Clare C. Ayres is taking commercial art auditing and shorthand.

Even the mechanical trades, considered hard subjects to teach by mail, are successfully taught by USAFI, according to the consensus of opinion of institute students.

Sgt. William S. Thompson, for example, is reading up on machine-shop practice in preparation for finishing his machinist apprenticeship at the national tube company in McKeesport, Pa. "My boss is very much pleased about my taking the course," Thompson reports.

Before the war, radio was just a hobby to Pfc. Orrin McBride, but as a result of his USAFI lessons he plans to take up radio repair as his vocation. He resumes his forestry course at Sgt. Richard Ruhland's course in the University of California, automotive power plants has helped him decide on the industrial arts as his subject when he prepares for a teaching career.

Municipal police administration, crop management, calculus, foreign languages, air conditioning and business law are just a few of the many other subjects "Army-Navy school with the Academics are learning from the world-wide campus."

USAFI courses are getting me back into the study habit," says Pfc. Richard Campobello, who will return to his accounting course at the University of Illinois with Army diplomas in sign language, air conditioning and business law are just a few

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## Burns Receives Chinese Award

"In the name of the Republic of China," the Yun-hui (Cloud and Banner) medal was pinned on Lt. Col. Newman R. Burns, executive officer of the Academic Regiment, by Col. Brookner W. Brady, regimental commander, at a formal review held to honor seven combat veterans in the Academic Regiment of The Infantry School Friday afternoon.

Colonel Burns was presented the Chinese decoration for his "meritorious service" as liaison officer with the Chinese 38th division during the North Burma campaign, according to the citation diploma which was inscribed in Chinese characters and signed by Lt. Gen. Sun, commander of the Chinese New 1st Army. With the diploma and medal Colonel Burns also received a "certificate of decoration" signed by Chiang Chung-Cheng, President of the Chinese National Government.

### OTHER AWARDS

The Combat Infantryman Badge for "exemplary conduct in action" was pinned on T-Sgt. John Frein and Angelo Sperelakis, S-Sgt. Harold Broderick and William Chappello, Cpl. Robert Bare and Pfc. William Bramlett, all of whom were captured while fighting with the 106th division in the Battle of the Bulge.

The Yun-hui was the third medal to be awarded to Colonel Burns since his return from two years' service in the China-Burma-India theater. The United States recently awarded him the Legion of Merit medal for his "exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services, which materially contributed to the success of the North Burma campaign." He also won the Soldier's Medal for his "heroism on the Irrawaddy river" when he rescued a drowning Chinese soldier at the risk of his own life.

## Pinetree Trp. Activities

By BARBARA GABRETT

The first meeting of the Pinetree Troop at the Scout Cabin on October 26th opened the Girl Scout Winter Program.

The troop is for post girls of Scout age, who are in the fifth through seventh grades. All girls who have not already joined, are cordially invited to do so.

Pinetree — Intermediate Troop Scout cabin, Friday afternoon at 2:30. Leader: Miss Pat Chamberlain.

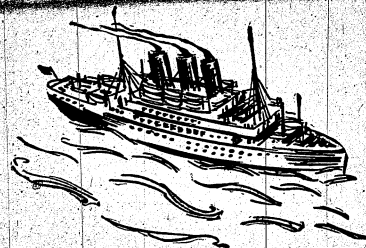
Our third Scout meeting was held November 8th. We were glad to welcome some more new ones into our patrol. Nancy Bush was received in the sixth grade patrol, and Peggy Edris was received in the fifth grade patrol.

First, we played baseball for about thirty minutes. Then we had our patrol meetings, where we take attendance and collect dues. We then had our good-night circle early, because some of the Scouts had other duties.

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... and to those who gave their lives. But we can make a try at showing our gratitude by buying the bonds that will help our men and women come home safe and soon. The Victory Bond Drive is on now ... so lend your money. What better purpose could money have than this, which will bring such heartfelt joy to us all.

## Buy Victory Bonds

Our store will be closed Thursday, Thanksgiving Day

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## Editorially Speaking

## Finish The Job!

The Victory Loan, last of the big War Bond drives, is now in progress and will continue for War Department personnel until December 31, 1945.

With the war over, you may be wondering, "Why another bond drive?" But if you stop to think, the reasons become obvious.

Millions of men in the armed services must be brought home from distant parts of the world, and funds must be raised for mustering-out payments and other veterans' benefits and services.

Medical and hospital care must be provided for many thousands of crippled and wounded. Armies of occupation must be maintained in Germany and Japan. Billions of dollars worth of contracts just be terminated.

If you are anticipating discharge from the Army, you have all the more reason to buy

savings bonds during the Victory Loan. They are the best investment you can make and will help to safeguard that future about which you are doing so much thinking these days.

The Roosevelt Memorial Bond will prove attractive to many, both for sentimental and patriotic reasons. This \$200 bond, issued in memory of the late President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, sells for \$150 and is available for the first time during the Victory Loan Drive.

And don't forget the GI Bond which can be bought for \$7.50 and matures for \$10. This low denomination bond has been available by the Treasury Department to military personnel only, but you can make any individual your co-owner. GI Bonds are obtainable only at your post finance office.

Help yourself and help your country. Let's finish the job!

## Once Over, Lightly!

## Our Pharmacist Knows Vitamins

The other day, we were partaking of a bit of chocolate soda in a drug store, when our tried eyes happened to notice a sign which was mounted atop the drug counter. The sign proclaimed, in multi-colored lettering, that "Our Pharmacist KNOWS vitamins."

We were indeed interested in this. At various times in our 22 years of existence, we have met people who knew other people. These included people who knew other Americans, Eskimos, Frenchmen, Italians, and Irishmen. Never, however, have we met anyone who knew vitamins. And, from the way the sign was painted so as to emphasize the word "KNOWS," we were fairly certain that not only did this pharmacist man vitamins, but that he was an intimate friend of some of the things.

After we finished our soda and paid the check, we wandered back to the medical supplies division of the drug store. We saw one elderly little fellow with a tan apron stretched around his some 200-pounds of corpulence. "Mister," we asked him, "are you the pharmacist?"

"Yes," replied the fat little fellow, "I am just that. What can I do for you? Mayhap a package of our scientific aspirin, or something like that?"

"No," we told him, "nothing like that. We merely noticed your sign and thought we'd like to talk to a man who KNOWS vitamins. How do you find vitamins, as friends?"

"Hm-mm-mm," said the pharmacist. "Do you find them friendly? Are they well behaved?" we demanded.

"Hm-mm-mm," said the pharmacist. "Are some good, some bad, or what?" we queried.

"Some are good, some are bad," the pharmacist replied; after lengthy consideration of the pros and cons of the question.

"Tell us," we continued, "what type of vitamin do you find easiest to get along with?"

"Vitamin A, by all means," the fat pharmacist said. "Some of the friendliest vitamins. I know are members of the A family. Why, one particular brand of A vitamins are so friendly that we sell thousands of them each week to privates."

"What do they do with them?" was asked.

"They slip them into their first sergeant's breakfast cereal, and they say it does wonders," the pharmacist answered. "Lately the army's been buying them wholesale, for feeding to the recruiting officers."

"What type of vitamin do you know best?" we asked.

"Well, that's a hard question. Before the war, the E Vitamins were not very busy and

used to hang around and chew the fat all the time. I got to know some of them pretty well."

"Why did they get so busy during the war?" we queried.

"They're good for fertility, you know. They are used for aiding the life and growth of babies before birth, and there've been a lot more babies recently," the pharmacist answered.

We agreed. "How about Vitamin B?" we asked. "Oh, it's been extremely busy," he replied. "Sometimes I don't see one for weeks. They get overtime pay and they're really cleaning up, even now. Awfully good for things like nerves and neuroses."

"Do you find that some of your vitamin friends are more aloof and snooty than others?" we asked.

"Yes, indeed," the fat little fellow replied. "I can't say that I have many close friends among the C Vitamins. They are very superior in their attitude, you know. Why, do you know that they're just as apt to leave in a huff when they're cooked or dried? Can't depend on 'em for a minutes, you can't!"

"Why do they object to being cooked or dried?" we asked.

"I'm sure I don't know," he answered, "but they do. Of course, Vitamin A sulks and becomes just a trifle less vivacious when cooked, but nothing like the C's. They act up something awful. They're our biggest headache. Do you find them friendly? Are they well behaved?" we demanded.

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## RELIGION AND VALUES

By Chaplain Walter H. Shinn

The business of most urgent concern to those who want a better, decent and peaceful world beyond the "blue print" stage is the business of putting religion into life. The "blue-prints" of ethics and the objectives of religion are never known as long as they remain on the pages of a book—or mainly in the realm of mere well-wishing, or inactive hopes.

Spiritual values become real, warm and thrillingly alive when they knock at the door of the mind and the heart in the active form of a lovable human being who demonstrates kindness, forgiveness and self and appreciation and concern for others.

We do not have such a great amount of trouble on such high values as permanent world peace, economic and social justice, etc., but the will, personal determination and practice of the individual man in his every day living is the essential translating them into reality. Often much of every day life is not occupied or greatly concerned with translating itself into spiritual values and meanings.

One can mightily easily allow himself to get "so close to the grindstone" that the ultimate and spiritual objectives which should be realized through his work are forgotten. Then it is that a man's life becomes pretty much of a meaningless affair. He thus becomes dulled in interest and lacking in appreciation of the values of religion and of the spirit, for nothing is of much worth to one in such a state. It is just this low state of personal morale that is the source of so much cynicism and doubt.

Nevertheless, let such a man deliberately turn from his skepticism and make it his business of actually translating some of these high theories and objectives of the Christian religion into fact in his own life and see what happens: The fine, qualitative elements of Christian character and experience become warmly real not only to him but believable, practicable and attractive to others.

If spiritual values are to be translated into reality a man must include in his experience that faith which draws on the personal Father-God for resources which can be gotten in no other way. No one can work himself into the possession of spiritual values by any dumb-bell exercise of his own "spiritual muscles."

The practice of the presence and the friendship of God is essential—no one goes far or without leaden feet by merely "gritting his teeth, clenching his fists and trying harder." Nevertheless, it is true that spiritual values are valid and convincingly real only to the degree that they are demonstrated in personality.

"Oh turn me, mould me, mellow for use, Pervade my being with Thy vital force. That this else inexpressive life of mine May become eloquent and full of power, Impregnated with life and strength divine."

"Put the bright torch of heaven into my hand, And win the eye of weary wanderers here below To guide their feet into the paths of peace."

THE BOOK SHELF

By Frances Dozier, Librarian

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# Private Pete Slagmire Parachutes Into "Jungles" of Idle Hour Zoo

By SGT. IRENE K. BEDWELL

The only thought running a jagged course through the mind of Private Pete Slagmire as he plummeted towards earth in his first night jump was "Jeez, where'll I land?"

As he found himself drifting further and further away from his comrades and the Alabama "jungle" came up to meet him, he mentally prepared himself for the end. People would say, "And he was so young, too!" Slagmire closed his eyes.

There was a sudden halt in the downward plunge. After a minute he carefully raised his eyelids. The ground was still nowhere in sight but he remained suspended in mid-air. "So this is what it's like," he said. His eyes pierced the darkness. "Not a snarl in sight!" There was wonder in his voice. He looked straight up and something billowing and white met his gaze. Pete began to tremble and tried to run. His legs dangled and flapped but refused to carry him from the spot.

"Awright Petey ole boy," he said confidently, "you're a trooper, see, rough, see, tough, if you're a dead trooper no ghost is gonna mess with him!" He forced himself to look up again.

After several interminable moments, Private Slagmire realized his chute was firmly snared in a tree, and as his eyes became more accustomed to the dark, that the ground was approximately fifteen feet below.

Pete heaved a sigh. He mused over the situation. "Me, a joik from Houston Street, East Side, or good ole Noo York, hanging from a tree in a Alabama jungle. It ain't possible!"

He was sorry immediately that the word "jungle" had come into his thoughts. "Holy Cow!" he exclaimed. A nearby owl hooted wildly. "I gotta get out here."

After a laborious struggle, Slagmire separated himself from the chute and slithered painfully down the tree-trunk.



He felt reassured when his feet touched earth. "Okay Petey, get calm . . . take it easy . . . this place is nothin' but a lotta weeds!" He took mental notes of the direction of his fall, the position of the stars, gripped his commando knife and started off.

"Huh, nothin' to it," he said, "I'll meet the guys before midnight."

Several hours later, Private Slagmire came to a familiar clearing and tried to remember where he'd seen it before. "NO!" he almost shouted. "Yes," a small tired voice inside him said, "this is where you landed, remember?"

Pete spotted a torn piece of khaki clinging to a tree-trunk and followed the evidence up the tree to where his chute still clung to the gnarled branches.

"Yankee-aincha." It was an indictment. The man looked surly. "Well," said Pete, not whatcha might call Yankee, exactly—part southern, you might say."

"Hey!" There was disbelief written on his face. Then his eyes caught the jump boots. "Trooper, hey?" This was a denunciation.

"Yeah," chirped Pete gaily, "I am whatcha might say from Sou!"

"Oh, your poor, misguided child," her mother said.

Some of us were a little bewildered by President Truman's semantics as we listened to his speech on V-J day. According to him, hostilities had ceased, but the war wasn't over. There was no life left in us when we heard that—but we weren't dead.

There was once a sweet young thing, it says right here in our gag file, who asked a major general if the two stars on his shoulders meant he had two sons in the service.

We won't believe the war is over until those ads drop out of the paper: "Wanted: Boy over 50."

The most unpopular song down here is "Let's Take the Long Way Home."

We watched over and fussed over our Army career as if it were a tender flower. But how were we to know it would turn into a century plant.

With the 38s gone and the 35s on their way to discharges, there's no doubt that the War Department believes in the old adage about age before beauty.

We thought the fellow was talking about the war when he muttered, "My God, will it ever end?" But he was only reading this column.

Houston Street, in little ole Noo York . . . uh-hh, you don't like troopers?"

"None." Silence hung over the two. "Tough, headed Sou?" Pete asked meekly.

"None."

They drove on for about half an hour. Pete summoned up his courage. "Uuuuh, guess I'd better hop out just about here," he said. The truck came to a sudden creaking halt. "Much obliged," Pete said jovially and backed out of the truck. As he watched it go, he moped to three in the morning, thought Pete, as he started through the woods again. Suddenly, he came to an inclosure. "Hot Zing!" He scaled the wire fence. "Must be somewhere in camp . . . it won't be long now!"

Private Slagmire realized quite suddenly that he was very tired. He'd been going for many hours. "Jest a five minute snooze," he told himself. He stretched out on the ground. He was sure he still heard the scurrying and purring animal-like sounds that had followed him all through the woods. "Can that stuff," he told himself. "You're in camp now, see. Safe . . . Safe . . . sa."

All at once Pete heard a snarl. He didn't dare to look. Something was pawing his shoulder. He leaped to his feet. It was daylight. "HOLY TOMATO!" he yelled. Private Slagmire was surrounded by three real live, menacing bears! "Jeez, where am I," he cried. "What's goin' on anyway." He backed up against the fence.

A hand tapped his shoulder. He spun around. A wizened little man stood staring at him from the other side of the wire. Pete's mouth hung open.

The old man sniffed carefully. "Waal," he drawled, "you look and act like ye're drunk alright . . . can't say as I smell anything. Watcha doin' in the Idle Hour Park Zoo this time o' day?"

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## Fort Benning Scrap Book

## Union—Allies

"The only defense against atomic bombs is the creation of a world in which no one has the slightest desire to drop atomic bombs on anyone else." This statement appears in a National News Letter by Stephen King-Hall, condensed in the November issue of Reader's Digest. No truer, more profound or clearer statement on the question has been made.

But what of the conclusion given—"World Government or World Destruction"? Would putting the nations under a world government give them less desire to drop bombs on each other than they had before? Has any other form of formal union—marriage—articles of incorporation—the Government of the United States—made people any less self-willed and antagonistic?

If married people never threw plates at each other—if workers and employers in the same company never pulled off strikes or lockouts—if our own United States had not fought the bloodiest civil war in history—if we were not now upon the verge of a new conflict over the control of industry—we might think that a union of the nations would really unite them and give the answer to atomic bombs.

Until we find the answer to divorce, however, to bitterness in industry and to mud-slinging in Congress, a proposal for world government just dodges the real issue. The real question is not "Union Now" but union—how?

The tragedy is that this question has been answered and goes unrecognized. Man has found the answer to divided homes, friction in industry and national disagreement. They have found

it when together they turn to God and find a sudden unexpected freedom from the selfishness which caused their differences.

Lincoln was right. A nation cannot exist half free and half slave. And the London Conference has just shown that neither can a world. But nations and the world can together find freedom from the fear, hate and greed which cause them to fly at each other's throats. Men who, under God, have found this real unity, can make their example so revolutionary and appealing that it seeps across the world. Then no one will want to drop bombs on anyone else. Any lesser solution is and will always remain a Utopian dream.

The real question isn't what to do with bombs but what to do with people.

Walk out on anyone for good and you are on the skirts forever.

You can't put the clock back in your married life but you can put your hearts back in it.

Any fool can criticize. The man fothe future must match his criticism with a cure.

Which will have the most disastrous affect on history—a world of bombed-out houses or a world of broken homes?

It's right to pull for a good man but far better to pull with him.



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# Guy Taylor Violin Recital Slated Next Wednesday

## Concert Closes November Series

The concluding event of the November Concert Series will take place next Wednesday, November 28 with a violin recital by W. O. Guy Taylor, assisted on the piano by W. O. Richard Shores, to be held at the Children's School, Main Post at 8:30 p. m.

An outstanding musician who has been director of the 87th Division Band for the past three years, Mr. Taylor will present an unusually interesting program consisting of three major works and a group of popular short pieces arranged by Kreisler and Szigeti.

Opening will be the Cesar Franck Sonata in A Major, followed by Bach's E Major Partita for solo violin. Following the intermission is the Mendelssohn Violin Concerto, the most easily assimilated of all the big works for the violin.

### STUDIED WITH DMITRI

Mr. Taylor's career as an artist includes years of concert appearances in his home town of Birmingham, Ala., and a brief stay with the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra, where he also studied conducting with Dmitri Mitropoulos, who is slated to be the successor of Serge Koussevitzky as leader of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Mr. Shores has also been associated with the 87th Division Band, received his training at the Eastman Conservatory of Music, and has been prominent in the musical life of Indianapolis, Ind.

The song recital of Sgt. William A. Long last Wednesday was enjoyed by a large audience at the Children's School. Possessor of a large voice which showed signs of strain in the upper register, Sergeant Long put over a program of popular favorites, culminating in two enacted encores, "O! Man River" and "Shortnin' Bread," which brought down the house.

The concert series is presented by the Post A and R Office under the supervision of Major John M. Lohr and Lt. Rosalind Roulston.

## "MATCH MATES"

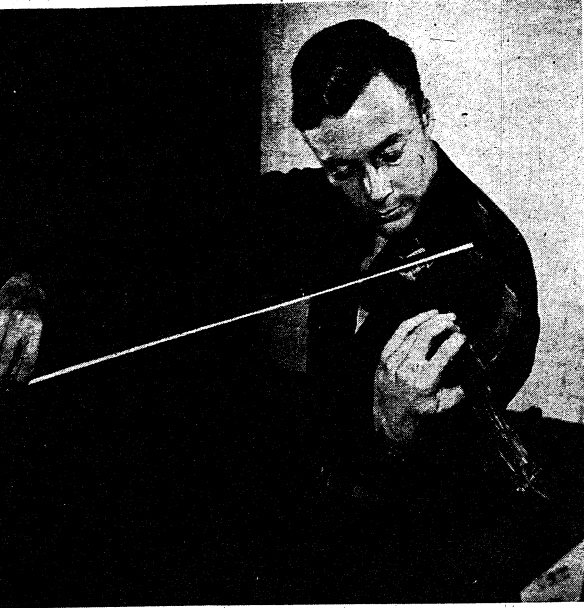


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## Long's Baritone Voice Hailed In Concert Series Appearance

BY CPL. W. A. HAGINS  
The rich and brilliant voice of Sgt. William Long, baritone soloist for the famed Reception Center Chorus was presented in a program of popular classics, semi-classics and Negro spirituals at the auditorium of the Children's School on the Main Post on November 14. It was a near capacity house of enthusiastic Fort Benning music lovers who heartily applauded the second in a series of November concerts, presented by the Post Athletic and Recreation Office.

Sgt. Long's program was as follows:

**GROUP I**  
National Anthem.  
The Torsion Song (From Opera, "Carmen"). Franz Schubert.  
I Will Not Grieve. Shumann.  
Song of the Flea. M. Moussorgsky.

**GROUP II**  
The Blind Ploughman.  
I Attempted From Love's Sickness To Fly. Henry Purcell.  
Tally-Ho! Franco Leoni.

**GROUP III**  
Invitation. Huhn.  
Because. d'Hardot.  
May Lindy Lou. Strickland.  
Encore—Without A Song. Rasbach.

**GROUP IV**  
Lord, I Don't Feel Noway Tired. Hall Johnson.  
I Stood On The Ribber Of Jordan. Boatner.  
I'm So Glad Trouble Don't Last Follow Me. R. Nathaniel Dett.

**GROUP V**  
Gwine to Hubbin. Jacques Wolfe.  
Land uv Degradashun. Robert MacGimsey.  
Thunderin' Wonderin'. Robert MacGimsey.  
De Glory Road. Jacques Wolfe.  
Encore—Ole Man River.

Highlights of Sgt. Long's recital were his dramatic portrayal of The Song of the Flea with its Gregorian chant, Land uv Degradashun; and De Glory Road, depicting a Negro sermon. In spite of the fact he was handicapped with minor throat ail-

ments, his voice retained its vigor, resonance and beauty. His dramatic interpretation of all numbers captivated the audience and made them feel the emotions that the singer experienced in the rendition of his songs.

Sgt. Varnell Ford, Arranger and Assistant Director for the Reception Center Chorus, supported the singer with a sympathetic accompaniment which added much to the delight of the evening.

The artistry of both Sergeants Long and Ford was exhibited in intelligent stage decorum.

## Hawaiian Dancer Suzanne Makua Leaves Benning

Cpl. Suzanne Makua, of WAC Detachment One, Academic Regiment, who was a professional Hawaiian dancer before her enlistment in 1943, gave her 850th and last performance at the Reception Center Chorus on November 14. She started in the Infantry School's Third Student Training Regiment variety show at Theater No. 11.

Corporal Makua, whose husband is in the Navy, will return to the legitimate stage when she is discharged in the near future. She formerly toured the country with the famed Bell's Hawaiian Folies.

Assigned as a clerk in the Infantry School, Corporal Makua has given unselfishly of her off-duty time to entertain at hospitals, special service shows and GI parties, often performing as heavily as six nights a week and averaging more than 10 shows a month.

In the comedy hula, "The Cockeyed Mayor of Kauna Kaka," to the beautifully interpretative "Liliue," Corporal Makua has the full repertoire of Hawaiian classics, which she has learned out of a sincere love for the aborigine culture of the islands.

Her studies of the Hawaiian language and art forms began during her childhood in New York City where she studied under the great concert dancer, Hupala.

## Lawson Non-Coms Hold Gala Party

The rustic and secluded setting of Cherokee Lodge, amid the pines just outside of Columbus, was the scene of the November party given by the Lawson Field Non-Commissioned Officers' Club. NCOs, their wives and feminine guests, including WACs and civilian employees at Fort Benning were invited.

A well proportioned turkey dinner was served with all the trimmings including salad and dessert. Further refreshments consisted of 3.2.

Diligent efforts on the part of the Board of Governors of the club brought about this affair held as a pre-Thanksgiving treat, due to many of the Lawsonites "hitting the trail" towards home.

## Nineteen Divisions Already Inactivated

Nineteen of the eighty-nine Army Divisions which had been inactivated by October 31st, with more than a dozen additional outfits scheduled for inactivation in the near future.

Following is a list of the units inactivated:

INACTIVE DIVISIONS—Sixty-third, Sixty-fifth, Sixty-ninth, Seventieth, Seventy-sixth, Eighty-fifth, Eighty-seventh, Ninety-fifth, Ninety-ninth, One hundred and third, One hundred and sixth, ARMY DIVISIONS—Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Fourteenth, Sixteenth, AIRBORNE DIVISION—Seventeenth.



**MICKEY NORTON:** Clever Comedian and Dancer brought back by popular demand for a third engagement at Southern Manor.

## Arts Contest Prizes Divided By Two Winners

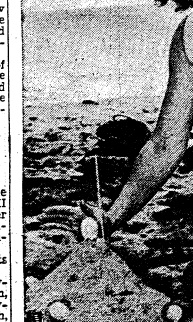
Two soldiers split first prizes in the four classes of the recent Army Arts Contest conducted at Service Club No. 1 last week.

Staff Sergeant Charles Mayer of the Third Composite Squadron, Lawson Field, copied first place in classes three and four with the entry of two types of woven belts made from Nylon and plastic.

In class three he was awarded the prize for "inventive use of improvised materials." In the fourth class he entered another belt which was judged best for "functional value" both utilitarian and decorative.

Pvt. Frank M. Willis of 23d Company, 1st Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School, captured first place with a huge contest announcement.

## That California Climate!



Doris Stanglen, CBS "Lux Radio Theater" actress and radio play-up girl, makes the most of California's sun, sun and sea between broadcasts in Hollywood.

The Bayonet, Wednesday, November 21, 1945

## ENTERTAINMENT

### The Movie Week

**PARDON MY PAST:** A rollicking and cleverly conceived situation comedy featuring Fred McMurray, Marguerite Chapman, William Demarest and Akim Tamiroff. All about a couple of discharged GIs and their problems.

**MY NAME IS JULIA ROSS:** Second-rate stuff but it features one of Hollywood's better shapes in Nina Foch who is co-starred with George Macready.

**THE STORK CLUB:** The song and dance dynamics of Betty Hutton and four hot tunes of the piece are enough to put the film over with a bang. Barry Fitzgerald also adds lustre.

**SNAFU:** Robert Benchley and Vera Vague in a trite comedy that has borrowed its title from GI language which means you-know-what!

**HOW DO YOU DO?:** Second-rate stuff with Bert (The Mad Russian) Gordon and Harry Von Zell. Has its moments but that's all.

**THIS LOVE OF OURS:** Merle Oberon and Claude Rains in a somewhat dramatic yet tender historical tale.

**DING DONG WILLIAMS:** Strictly second-rate double bill thriller. Does mark first screen appearance of cute Marcy McGuire who used to hit the post in USO Shows.

**VOICE OF THE WHISTLER:** Mystery story stuff with the old man of the mountain, Richard Dix, and not-bad-looking Lynn Merrick.

**CONFIDENTIAL AGENT:** In which the "Come with me to the Casbah" guy, Charles Boyer, invited "The Look," Lauren Bacall, to visit the Casbah. (Wonder where Boy is?)

**ALLIOTMENT WIVES:** Class B flicker of interest to GIs. Features Kay Francis and Paul Kelly.

**PILLOW OF DEATH:** Chiller-diller stuff with Lon Chaney terrorizing that luscious blonde, Brenda Joyce.

**SAN ANTONIO:** Errol Flynn is on the prowl again in this costume picture of Old Texas with the very seductive Alexis Smith as his femme de la casa.

**KEYS OF THE KINGDOM:** A revival of the Gregory Peck-Roddy McDowall smash hit which is an adaptation of the A. J. Cronin novel.

**FOLLOW THAT WOMAN:** A tongue-in-cheek murder mystery made for escapism entertainment with William Gargan and Nancy Kelly co-starred.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 21**  
Nos. 1 & 2: Pardon My Past.  
Nos. 3 & 4: Confidential Agent.  
Nos. 5 & 6: Ding Dong Williams.

**THURSDAY, NOV. 22**  
Nos. 1 & 2: Follow That Woman.  
Nos. 3 & 4: Allotment Wives.  
Nos. 5 & 6: Confidential Agent.

**FRIDAY, NOV. 23**  
Nos. 1 & 2: Pardon My Past.  
Nos. 3 & 4: Pillow of Death.  
Nos. 5 & 6: Key of the Kingdom.

**SATURDAY, NOV. 24**  
Nos. 1 & 2: My Name Is Julia Ross.  
Nos. 3 & 4: Pardon My Past.  
Nos. 5 & 6: Allotment Wives.

**SUNDAY, NOV. 25**  
Nos. 1 & 2: The Stork Club.  
Nos. 3 & 4: Follow That Woman.  
Nos. 5 & 6: Pillow of Death.

**MONDAY, NOV. 26**  
Nos. 1 & 2: The Stork Club.  
Nos. 3 & 4: Follow That Woman.  
Nos. 5 & 6: My Name Is Julia Ross.

**TUESDAY, NOV. 27**  
Nos. 1 & 2: The Stork Club.  
Nos. 3 & 4: Pardon My Past.  
Nos. 5 & 6: Confidential Agent.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 28**  
Nos. 1 & 2: How Do You Do?  
Nos. 3 & 4: The Stork Club.  
Nos. 5 & 6: My Name Is Julia Ross.

**THURSDAY, NOV. 29**  
Nos. 1 & 2: Allotment Wives.  
Nos. 3 & 4: Confidential Agent.

**REMOUNT SERVICE HAS SURE GONE TO THE DOGS**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (ALNS)—The Remount Service Branch of the Army is planning a long-range program of breeding and training dogs for service with the Army under a plan similar to that long followed in breeding and training horses for military use. Dogs will be used for sentry duty in the occupation forces, and in experimenting on new uses for dogs in war.

Winners of the Fort Benning Arts Contest will present a musical program featuring the orchestra from Supply Detachment, Section 1, Station Complement.

The Thursday bridge sessions will be resumed next week on November 29th. In last week's contest playing the musical program featuring the orchestra from Supply Detachment, Section 1, Station Complement.

Dance enthusiasts are reminded that the club will sponsor a dance next Tuesday, November 27th, with the 87th Division's orchestra providing danceable tunes and out-of-town lasses joining in the fun.

Another activity sprung up at the club last night following the hour-long concert when first steps were taken in the formation of a men's glee club. Wac Alice Dickinson will serve as accompanist while Lt. R. D. Bentley will serve as director. All men interested in joining should communicate with the club hostess for further details.

## New Hostess Name At Lawson Fd. Club

With the departure of Hostess Mel Tolbert from Service Club No. 6 at Lawson Field, Miss Theodosia Hocker from Service Club No. 7, will assume the duties of hostess at the AAF club.

Miss Hocker is quite familiar with army life having been practically raised in "kaiaki." Her father, the late Colonel Woodson Hocker, was station at Ft. Benning in 1920 as Post Inspector.

## "Step Lively" Revue Here Starting Saturday Dec. 1st

"Step Lively," another rollicking USO-Camp Show musical revue is headed this way for a week-long stay commencing Saturday, December 1. The show boasts a well-balanced cast of entertainers including a six-girl dance line known as the Park Avenue Sextette.

The Sextette joined USO after a long tour with the Sally Rand unit and since Miss Rand has always been noted for the beauty brigade that accompanies her, the girls are expected to make a big hit at Fort Benning. They will present three smart numbers, including a rhythm tap, a South American medley, and a skip-rope novelty dance.

Others featured in "Step Lively" are:

Arthur & Morton Havel & Co., two men and one woman, calling themselves "Popular Song Writers" in a comedy act during which they hilariously lay claim to having composed every song that came out of Tin Pan Alley. The "Co." refers to Helen Lockhart, and when you see her looking at the sister of that famous Hollywood star, Gene Lockhart. Featured in Broadway musicals such as A NIGHT IN VENICE.

MINUTE OUT WEST IT'S DIFFERENT, A NIGHT IN SPAIN, and many others—Arthur, Morton and Helen also have played every major vaude theatre in the country.

Lucille Vincent started out with aspirations to be an opera singer but turned the tables on the classics and now sings popular music. She can still charm you with an operatic aria—if requested—or set you rockin' to her live melodies but she specializes in singing the BLUES. Her favorite is "Stardust." Don't be surprised if she starts out singing blue renditions of "Don't Blame Me" and "Tea for Two" and then does a quick change act and sings "Young Man with a Horn" or "Is You or Is You Ain't My Baby?"

Kay Parsons, "The Girl of Yesterday," as broadcast over both the Columbia and Mutual, was really Miss Kay Parsons who specializes in old-time songs. She plays her own accompaniment on the piano and encourages the audience to join in on the familiar ones. Kay knows hundreds of songs from memory, so is able to produce a program that fits the crowd she entertains. She has been successful in getting extra large audiences to join in songs.

Recent engagements for Miss Parsons were at the following clubs and theatres: Billy Rose's Case, Manhattan, International Casino, Roxy Theatre, Bill's Gay 90's, Taft Hotel, and Chateau Moderne, all in New York. She is also mentioned by thousands as the featured soloist at the Billy Rose Barbary Coast at the New York World Building and as the producer and star of "Kay Parsons Show Boat" in New York.

Musical Johnstons, a xylophone act with a real musical background. Al Johnston started as an orchestra leader and violinist and star of "Kay Parsons Show Boat" in New York.

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**Long History**  
The 87th Division Band has been in existence almost as long as the division itself. It has been and has become a finished military musical organization even before it left for overseas with the division in the autumn of 1944. Overseas, members of the band served as medics and utility men.

During its long history, and upon conclusion of hostilities in Europe the unit began its full schedule of performances, keeping up the work when the division assembled at Fort Benning for redeployment.

The band played military music during its long daytime work, and in the evening divided up into dance orchestras. Largest of the bands was the 87th Division Band, which was led by Wac Norton and His Men of Music.

Activities at Service Club No. 1 have days continue to keep many post GIs entertained with a variety of programs.

Tonight the club will dispense with the usual Thursday bridge session because of Thanksgiving and instead will present a musical program featuring the orchestra from Supply Detachment, Section 1, Station Complement.

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Lucille Vincent.

look up, forming a novelty musical act that played in Europe, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, as well as the Americas. Fifteen years ago he teamed up with Jeanne Johnston, also an accomplished musician. Together they have played Keiths, RKOs, Warner, Public, Loew and Shubert theatres, as well as clubs and hotels. The act uses two large expensive xylophones and is class novelty entertainment. Classical, novelty and patriotic numbers are included in their program as well as popular tunes. They feature speedy technique.

200th School Troops  
Man Re-Enlists In RA

Cpl. Floyd C. Bowser, of the First Infantry Training Company, ITD No. 2, School Troops, The Infantry School, is the 20th School Troops member to re-enlist in the Regular Army.

Corporal Bowser was sworn in at a special ceremony last Friday afternoon in the School Troops Public Relations office.

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## Around The Circuit

BY SGT. JOHN T. CRONIN

That was a pretty poor display of sportsmanship several Benning soldiers gave Sunday when they booted one of the Doughboy players removed from the game after fumbling a couple of punts. . . . Remember, the fellow is out there trying. . . . The Doughboy linemen played a real ball game, but Clyde Johnson, Thompson, and McCune, caught our eye. . . . We are going to suggest the Theater No. 8 Ribbon be awarded the assistant coach for substituting at the time the Rockets had the ball on the locals' six yard line; the substitution cost the Doughboys five yards, giving the Rockets the ball on the one-yard line. . . . It is much easier to score from the one than the six. . . . Wonder if the Doughboys have a reverse? Other things we liked about the game were Jeff Burkett's punting and Aldo Cenci's lugging. . . . The officiating left a lot to be desired. . . . But we will hasten to admit one of them wasted little time breaking up what could have been a fair-sized "slugging bee." . . . The Third Infantry Cockades won the ETO football championship a few days ago with a 20-12 victory over the hitherto undefeated 508th Parachute Regiment. . . . Tommy Mont, the team's quarterback who played here last fall with the Fourth Infantry, was the outstanding passer in the ETO loop. . . . The Cockades' line was comprised of the same lads who "fought and bled" here last season. . . . Frank Graham, who pitched a lot of good ball around here for two seasons with the Parachute School, is heading for the pinstripe league. . . . The School Troops Snipers and the Academic Regiment Profits both got off to flying starts in their basketball openers. . . . Eight of the 11 starting players on the Army team will be back next season. . . . More than 500,000 servicemen and women were admitted without charge to ball games this past season in the American League. . . . John G. MacFarlan, former Athletic and Recreation Officer of the Infantry School, writes from Miami saying, "things are great down in this part of the world." We imagine they must be. . . . It looks as though the Cleveland Rams and the Redskins will fight it out for the pro crown. . . .

The Washington Senators are said to be trying to purchase Nick Etten, the Yanks' first baseman. . . . Professional basketball is on the upswing in the East. . . . People we'd like to meet again: Sgt. James McManus, the best baseball fan to ever come in or go out of Gowdy Field and a lot of other places too. . . . Things we'd like to see again: A white shirt and blue suit. . . . Babe Ruth hitting home runs. . . . Cliff Battles carrying a football. . . . A good horse race, especially if we had a couple of bucks on the winner. . . . Jack Dempsey hitting anyone. . . . "Pop" Warner describing how and why Jim Thorpe was the greatest football player to don a cleat. . . . Wonder what Warner would say after a glimpse of Doc Blanchard. . . . Charley Trippie gave a first class exhibition down in Columbus Saturday. . . . But without Trippi, it would have been a fairly even game. . . . And we are still looking for the fellow who said Penn would give Army a battle. . . . Guess he must have been thinking of another sport. . . . Alabama will ignore a Rose Bowl bid if Army accepts. . . . Alabama wants nothing to do with Army. . . . And what happened to St. Mary's last Saturday? . . . There is said to be considerable unrest in the camps of the Cleveland Rams and the Chicago Bears. . . . Well, we picked 14 out of 16 winners last week, giving us 63 out of 71 for the season. . . . Not bad going says the "missus," to whom we are going to assist to the job this week. She says: Texas over Texas A. and M. . . . Penn over Cornell. . . . Holy Cross over Boston College (and would I love to be sitting in on this one). . . . Notre Dame over Tulane. . . . Columbia over Dartmouth. . . . Michigan over Ohio State. . . . Indiana over Purdue. . . . Wisconsin over Minnesota. . . . Jacksonville Naval over Ft. Benning. . . .



JUMPIN' JIVE—During halftime intermission of Sunday's game in the stadium, the Doughboy marching band from School Troops, the Infantry School, formed a circle in the center of the field, and in a weapons carrier with snare drums in the back and set up for a five tune. T-S Bob Olin drove in a weapons carrier with snare drums in the back and set up for a five tune. T-S Bob Olin, band's snappy drum major, is leading the proceedings atop the hood of the truck. (167th Signal Co. Photo.)



GOLFCLUBBED TURKEY—Lt. R. L. Smart of First Army's 1280th Engineers, winner of first flight honors in the annual Post Turkey Day Golf Tournament, poses with his prize, a live gobbler. Smart downed Lt. C. V. Barnett in the finals 2 and 1. Photo by 167th Signal Photo Company.)

## Prof Hoop Hopes Rest On Height, Experience

Height and a wealth of collegiate and Army experience are the main assets of the basketball squad that is representing the Academic Regiment on the court during the 1945-46 campaign. But, as Coach Herbert G. Peabody puts it, "Teamplay, rather than individualism, is what we strive to attain, and I am certain we will reach our goal."

A huge smile was on Coach Peabody's face as he was putting his protégés through the paces at a recent rehearsal. Commented Peabody: "Prospects for a successful season are getting brighter and brighter daily, the boys have the stuff and are giving their best effort."

**DISCHARGES (?)**  
The only fly in the ointment, 'tis rumored, will be probable discharge of several cagers from the service. But the Prof's not only have quality, but quantity, in their ranks, and this condition should prove to be Coach Peabody's ace in the hole in emergency.

Six-foot-five Ed Beisser, who won All-America honors while performing with Creighton University in 1943, appears to be the spearhead of the Prof's offensive. He netted 17 points over Cornell. Peabody's outfit toppled the Sports Arena Men's All-Stars in its opening game recently at Atlanta, Ga.

Two other candidates for center are John Greer, former Citadel and Tennessee ace and Clyde Littlefield, both of whom are six-foot three inches in height. Greer coached the Prof's last season.

**LOISEL RETURNS**  
Lou Otto and Joe Loisel, rated one-two for the forward slots, are ex-collegians, and are over the six-foot mark. Loisel previously performed with Creighton University.

Competing with Otto and Loisel are Ed McNamara, Syracuse, Wave Hendrix and Nick Vulcan, both of Kent University, who was among the top scorers in The Infantry School court last year. There is a wild scramble among eight aspirants for guard-tending duties, but it appears as if Guy Crawford and Bill Jenkins have the inside track for starting jobs.

Crawford was All-Southern guard with Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1943, and Jenkins received the award as "Most Hustling Prof" the past season.

**GUARD ASPIRANTS**  
Other guard aspirants include Ralph Marler, 8th Division cager; Ray Siedlecki, Detroit University; Don Butler, St. Mary's, Calif.; Charles Sniffin, The Citadel and Ken Lenz.

Another newcomer is Bill Johnson, New York Yankee third baseman, who is trying to expand his athletic prowess into the basketball field.

Against the Sports Arena opposition, Coach Peabody picked Loisel and Otto as starting forwards;

## Profs Trample Robins Flyers

After bringing down the Robins Field, Ga., 45 to 29 on the losers' court last Thursday night, the basketball Prof's of the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School, will continue their Georgia tour by taking on the Battery General Hospital Five in Rome this Friday night (Nov. 23).

Using a lineup that averaged over six-foot-three inches in height, Coach H. G. Peabody's invaders romped off to an early lead over the Flyers and held a 25 to 9 advantage at halftime. Robins Field rallied in the third quarter to hold the visitors to five points while garnering 12 for themselves, but the Academicians turned on the heat in the last period to ring up their second win in as many starts.

**REISSER STARS**  
Outstanding for the Prof's were six-foot-five Ed Beisser, 1943 All-American center from Creighton U., who had absolute control of the rebounds and led the scoring parade with 19 points, and Guy Crawford, V.P.'s all-Southern guard who sank 11 tallies while playing bangup ball on the defensive.

Bill Anderson, set-shot star who was 1942 hoop captain for Duke, was high-scorer for the losers, with 11 points, followed by Kentucky's "Slit" Kelley with eight.

**BATAAN VET FINDS 'HOME' LIFE DULL—RE-APS**  
GARY, Ind.—(ALNS)—Civilian life is too dull for Edwin C. Keith who was one of those captured at Bataan. Keith lost 100 pounds in a Jap prison camp, then escaped and led a band of Philippine guerrillas until the U. S. armed forces landed on and captured Leyte. Discharged on July 4, he has again enlisted in the army and hopes to be sent back to the

Splitting homes can destroy a nation more surely than splitting atoms.

Just getting your back up is no way to back up your country.

Beisser was center and Crawford and Vulcan, a high scorer, at guard.

A complete schedule hasn't been arranged for Coach Peabody's quintet. A few of the games already booked follow: Friday, Nov. 23, Battery General Hospital at Rome, Ga.; Tuesday, Nov. 27, Robins Field, home; Monday, Dec. 17, Lawson General Hospital, home.

# Fast ATC Rockets Down Doughs, 23-7

Passes And Deceptive Running Give Fliers Edge In Thrill-A-Minute Tiff

By CARL NEU

The Infantry and the Air Corps staged a good old-fashioned gridiron donnybrook in Doughboy Stadium on Sunday afternoon much to the delight of 12,000 GI fans. When the smoke of battle

STATISTICS	Fort Benning	Air Transport
First downs	63	128
Yards gained rushing	63	128
Yards gained passing	12	15
Passes completed	37	31
Passes intercepted by	3	1
Yards back on interceptions	23	7
Yards lost by penalties	70	48
Yards lost by fumbles	0	0
Overalls	0	3

cleared away, however, the Air Transport Command Rockets from Nashville emerged the victors with a decisive 23-7 verdict over the Fort Benning Doughboys.

The battle-scarred stadium turf has seldom been the scene of a more rugged toe-to-toe slugfest than that between teams of such high calibre. In the final period, as a matter of fact, the action waxed so hot that less than three players were ejected for roughing it and their team penalized half the distance to the goal line in each instance.

From opening kickoff to closing whistle, it was a grueling test of might between star-studded elements of a professional level.

For over three periods, the aroused Doughboys made a real battle outfit. But in the final ten minutes, with the Doughs slowing up afoot, the still-speedy ATC backs pushed over a pair of clincher scores to add to their first period field goal and second period touchdown.

Benning got off to a bad start when safetyman Bill Russell twice fumbled ATC punts inside his own ten and each time the loose ball was recovered by the Rockets. The Doughboys fought back, but on downs the first time and would have duplicated that stunt a few minutes later, except that on fourth down Preston Flanagan, stellar ATC end from Texas, dropped back to the 10-yard line and booted a perfect placement to give the Nashville visitors a 3-0 advantage.

After that score, the Doughboys roaring back to launch a brilliant 99-yard march to a score. Big Aldo Cenci, 240-pound punter back from Penn State sparked the drive which was culminated when Jimmy Tarrant pitched a perfect strike to Armando Cure in the end zone for a 21-yard scoring play. Cure, former Rhode Island State halfback, made a nifty diving catch on the play. George Hecht, ATC end, calmly booted the placement that gave the homers a 7-3 lead.

But the Doughboy advantage was short-lived when Johnny Goodyear, former Marquette back, brought the ensuing kickoff back 50 yards to the Doughboy 45 to set up an ATC score. Five plays later the Rockets came in when Punt back Ed Ehlers passed from the 26-yard line to Goodyear who nabbed the ball on the 10 and converted across the broad stripe. Flanagan converted and the Rockets had their 10-7 halftime lead sewed up.

The third period was principally a punting duel between Ehlers for the Rockets and Jeff Burkett for the Doughs with the latter holding slight advantage. Going into the final canto, the teams were still fairly evenly matched and the Doughs missed possible scoring opportunities when perfect passes were dropped by receivers in the open.

**Gallops 76 Yards**  
Finally a mercury-heeled speed merchant named Bill McArthur from Santa Barbara State, broke the game wide open with the day's longest run, a 76-yard scamper game he had been handed the ball on a reverse from Tolliver following a Benning punt. Both men were playing safety and Tolliver took Burkett's long punt, started to his left, suddenly slipped the

ball to McArthur and the latter sped down the right sideline for a thrilling touchdown effort. Flanagan again converted and ATC led, 17-7.

The final Rocket score came in the closing minutes when repeated penalties put the Doughs with their backs to the wall. Goodyear accounted for the score from the one-yard line by scoring around left end after two line backs had failed. Flanagan's placement went wide, and final figures stood at 23-7.

The Doughboy line played brilliantly all afternoon with Joe McCune, Tommy Thompson and Clyde Johnson particularly outstanding. Bob Davis, at end, stood out for the Rockets in the forward wall while their host of talented backs including Ehlers, Goodyear, McArthur, Bob Magaldi and Roger Smith turned the tide in favor of the airmen.

THE LINEUP:	Fort Benning	Air Transport
Backs	Flanagan	McArthur
Ends	Thompson	Johnson
Guards	Cune	Johnson
Fullbacks	Thompson	Johnson
Halfbacks	Thompson	Johnson
Quarterbacks	Thompson	Johnson
Running backs	Thompson	Johnson
Wide receivers	Thompson	Johnson
Tight ends	Thompson	Johnson
Linebackers	Thompson	Johnson
Defensive backs	Thompson	Johnson
Special teams	Thompson	Johnson

## Academic Wacs Split Twin Bill

The Academic Regiment's two WAC teams split a basketball doubleheader with two invading civilian sextets Saturday night when Bentley's Sports Shop handed the Prof's of WAC Two a 37-7 defeat in the opener, and the Wacdemies of WAC One turned back the Waverly Hall girls from Ellerslie, Ga., 32-7 in the nightcap at the Post Gym.

Elizabeth "Slit" Sidiakias, former All-Connecticut forward, sank 14 points for the Wacdemies to top the high-scoring honors for the evening.

**THE PYLE SCHOLARSHIP FUND REACHES \$40,000**  
BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (ALNS)—A gift of \$10,000 to the Emile Pyle Memorial Scholarship Fund at Indiana University here, has been received from the Scripps Howard newspaper. The Pyle memorial fund for journalism students has now reached a total of \$40,000.

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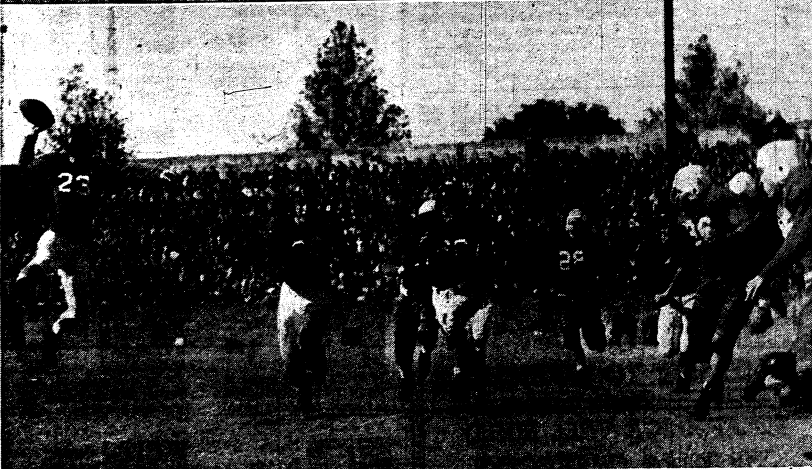
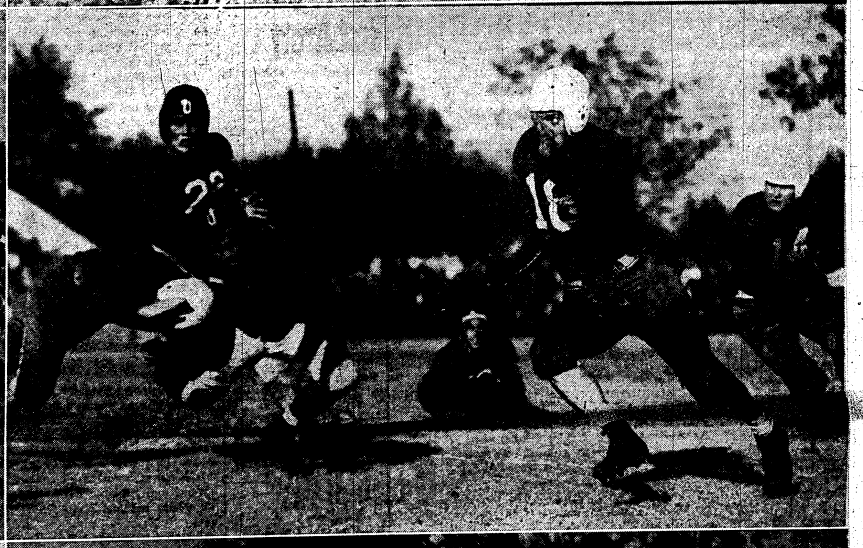
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**JEeps IN CIVILIAN LIFE**  
NEW YORK, N. Y.—(ALNS)—Veterans do not want jeeps, but do want trucks and regular automobiles, according to the Smaller Plants Corporation office here, which is receiving applications for surplus military supplies. The applications they have received are notable for the fact that the veterans have no love for jeeps and want no part of them in their civilian picture, it is announced. The problem in my home may be simple. It may be me.

  
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**FAST AND FURIOUS FOOTBALL** was the order of the day Sunday when the Doughboys and Air Transport Command Rockets collided in Doughboy Stadium. At top left, Bill McArthur (18) mercury-heeled ATC halfback, is shown at the start of his 76-yard touchdown gallop as he eludes Doughboys Ed Willard, Tommy Thompson (26) and Gene Corum. At top right it's Bouncin' Bob Magalski on the prowl for the Rockets behind the blocking of Ed Ehlers (46) and Johnny Goodyear on ground. Jeff Burkett is the Doughboy trying to break it up. At middle left it's Glenn Lowe (43) sweeping off tackle with Corum, Joe McCune (62) and Gil Gekoski in hot pursuit. At middle right, glimpse McArthur again as he sweeps left end trailed by Rafe Nabors (14). Notice the neat block an unidentified Rocket is putting on Thompson and McPhee of the Doughboys. At bottom left, Jimmy Tarrant leaps high on the Benning touchdown pass into the end zone that was caught by Armand Cure. Gussie (66) and Corum (60) are providing protection while Davis (28) and Lukachik (36) close in. At bottom right is the same scene shown at middle right just one second later with Burkett closing in to halt McArthur. (Photos by S-Sgt. Gaylord M. Lamond, Sgt. Joe Karr, and Sgt. Victor Calvano of 167th Signal Co.).

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## Fort Benning Calendar

**Chapels**

**POST CHAPEL:** Morning worship at 8:30 a. m. Sunday School in the Children's School at 9:15 a. m. Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. All Saints' while the South Battalion—Mauder, German, Chaplain Frederick W. Miller, Officiant: "All Praise to God Eternal"—Gaul, Evening Service at 8:30 p. m. Chaplain Harvey M. Ward.

**PARADE CHAPEL:** Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. (Communion each first Sunday). Vespers, Sunday Evening at 8:00 p. m. Chaplain Charles C. McKinney.

**ALABAMA AREA CHAPEL:** Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. (Communion each first Sunday). Chaplain Robert M. Hendrix.

**ASP REGIONAL HOSPITAL:** Morning worship for the Medical Detachment, Patients and Nurses in the Red Cross Building at 10:30 a. m. Chaplain Walter M. Shinn.

**FIRST STUD. TENG. REGT.:** Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. in the Main Post Chapel—Chaplain Harvey M. Ward.

**4TH BATTALION, FIRST STR:** Morning worship in battalion area at 9:30 a. m. (Communion each first Sunday following the worship service). Chaplain Eric A. Brogan.

**SERVICE BATTALION, FIRST STR:** Morning worship 9:15 a. m. in the Main Post Chapel—Chaplain Harvey M. Ward.

**RECEPTION CENTER:** Sunday Bible Class in Reception Battalion Theater at 9:30 a. m. Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Evening service 7:00 p. m. Chaplain Theodore B. Brooks. Sunday Bible Class in Reception Battalion Theater at 9:30 a. m. Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Evening service 7:30 p. m. Chaplain Lamar A. Shinn.

**LAWSON FIELD:** Morning worship at 10:30 and 11:30 a. m. Wednesday prayer meeting each Wednesday at 8:15 p. m.—Chaplain Walter L. Latham.

**HARMONY CHURCH AREA:** Morning worship at 9:45 a. m. in Chapel No. 2. Chaplain Paul R. Fide. Morning worship at 11:00 a. m. in Chapel No. 4. Chaplain Paul R. Fide.

**SERVICE BATTALION, THIRD STR:** Morning worship at 11:30 a. m. in Reception Hall, Building No. 2515. Prayer service each Wednesday evening at 7:00 p. m.—Chaplain Lewis M. Durden.

**FIRST INFANTRY DETACHMENT AND TROOP, POL. SEC. H. 715:** Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. in Chapel No. 1.

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## TIS Exceeded Goal In Recent War Fund Drive

The Infantry School contributed \$9,219.76 to the National War Fund Drive, exceeding its announced goal of \$7,100.00, according to the final announcement of Lt. Edith M. Grund, chairman of the Fund committee.

Success of the drive, which extended from September 25 to November 11, is more pronounced because of the reduced strength of personnel in the Infantry School, Lieutenant Grund declared.

School Troops, as a unit, contributed the largest amount, \$2,945.05, according to Lieutenant Grund in the runner-up spot was the 3d STR, with \$2,361.38. The 1st STR was third with contributions totaling \$1,226.39.

**FIVE UNITS LEAN TO SUPPORT**

The Academic Regiment, Academic Department, 3rd STR, School Troops and Headquarters, The Infantry School each bettered its goal.

Total contributions by civilians, including \$65.50 given by civilians Headquarters, The Infantry School, amounted to \$150.65.

Final figures, released by the Fund committee, follow: Academic Department, \$3,070.00; 3d STR, \$2,361.38; 1st STR, \$1,226.39; 3d STR, \$2,361.38; OCRU, \$481.84; School Troops, \$2,945.05; Headquarters, The Infantry School, \$137.00; The Infantry Board, \$36.00.

## New Officers Added To Staff Of First Army

Assignment of two officers to the staff of Fourth Headquarters, First Army, was announced today by Major Neil R. Maxey, adjutant general, Headquarters, First Army.

Capt. Clark H. Hamilton, who has been at Fort Benning for a number of months with the 3d Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company, now inactivated, succeeded Capt. Allen Peck left for an overseas assignment.

Captain Hamilton holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Nebraska. His home is in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Lt. William F. Gerhardt, who has been named to the Acting Assistant Adjutant General post, A. N. of Woodbury Heights, N. J., La. General of Police, holds a course in Chemical Engineering at Drexel Institute in Philadelphia, Pa., when he entered the service. He served overseas with the 87th Infantry Division as a member of the Second Battalion, 3d Infantry, while in the distinguished unit citation badge for its Siegfried Line action.

## Porteous Named Adjutant For School Troops

Maj. Charles E. Porteous, former G-1 of the 103rd "Cactus" Infantry Division, was named adjutant of School Troops, The Infantry School, Col. Sever R. Tupper, commanding officer of School Troops, announced.

Commissioned at Fort Benning November 14, 1942, Major Porteous served as adjutant of the 40th Infantry Division in the States and in the ETO. He later was the 40th Regimental Supply Officer.

Major Porteous wears the Legion of Merit medal, the Bronze Star with an Oak Leaf Cluster, the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

## Questions Of The Week

1. What factors figured prominently in the Truman-Allee talks last week?

2. What are the three principal viewpoints on what should be done with the secret of the atomic bomb?

3. Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach made an important suggestion to the National Labor Management Conference for lessening industrial strife. What was it?

4. True or false: William Green of the AFL, Philip Murray of the CIO and John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers are all former coal miners.

5. The President of Brazil "resigned" recently, the Brazilian-American President to leave office within ten days. Who was the first?

6. The Chief Justice of Brazil's Supreme Court, in line with a constitutional provision, was sworn in to General Vargas' place. In the United States, is the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court at all in line for the Presidency?

7. Speculation was turning last week on what procedure would be chosen for the election of presidents under the Fourth French Republic. Under the Third Republic, were presidents elected by direct popular vote; (b) chosen by the Senate and Chamber of Deputies sitting as a National Assembly; (c) selected by their predecessors?

8. Cairo newspapers last week were suggesting that Egypt be given Suez Canal shares in payment of debts owned her. Who would you say own most of the shares in the Suez Canal?

9. The head of a branch of one of the armed services is called "The impossible we do at once; the miraculous takes a little longer." Recently made his last report, preparatory to resigning. Who is he and what is his organization?

10. Who sets voting qualifications: (a) the Federal Constitution; (b) Congress; (c) the various States?

**ANSWERS ON PAGE 9**

We will get together in peace or fly apart in pieces. No change of system can achieve what must come through change.



**NINE POUND GOOSE** shot for his son's birthday is enjoyed by Master John Hornsby, son of Tech Sgt. and Mrs. Charlie Hornsby of 129 Ingersoll Loop, and three playmates. Those in the picture, left to right, are Tammie Lowe, son of First Sgt. and Mrs. C. W. Lowe, John's brother Charles Hornsby Jr., the birthday honor guest and Jean Martin. Sergeant Hornsby nabbed one of the Canadian geese a week ago along the Chattahoochee River when he spied a flock of geese flying south en route from Canada to Florida. The Sergeant, incidentally, re-enlisted a short time ago and gave up his duties as drill sergeant of Headquarters Detachment Sect. 1 to transfer to the Tactical Section of The Infantry School. He has sixteen years in the service.

## The Shoes

By Sgt. Arthur M. Weinberg

It has been a long monotonous evening. Anyone who thought driving an army bus was a snap, should try it awhile. At least that was Pfc. Elmer Mencken thought. "It's a wonder my right arm doesn't fall off; I bet I've opened that door a million times today. Anyway this last run for the night. Sure will feel good to hit the sack."

He slowed the Mack for a curve and pulled up to a late passenger climb aboard. At least he wasn't driving an empty bus now. The passenger sat down beside him, but showed no inclination to talk.

"Rather strange," Mencken thought, "Here we are out in the wilderness. Wonder what he's doing way out here? Couldn't have been on a hike—he's noticed shiny new overalls on the fellow, when he'd climbed in—in fact that's all he had noticed. Probably stalled his car some place. Still, he hadn't seen a parked car along the road—oh, well—why worry. Probably stepped off some other bus by mistake. Easy to get lost on this reservation."

"This last run?" the voice behind him asked. "Yeah, and am I glad." Mencken returned, "That sack will sure look good tonight."

"There was no other remark from the stranger for awhile then. 'Service surely has improved here, I've never used the bus before. Always drove my coupe—that is until tonight.'"

"What happened tonight?"

"On the usual—blow—out—ran off the road over there by Fry Ridge. Car's pretty badly banged up."

"Do you feel all right?" asked Mencken, "Maybe I could drop you at a dispensary."

"Oh I'm all right," came the voice, "Not even scratched you might say."

Mencken switched on the lights and glanced in the mirror. He held on to the wheel with both hands and stared hard. He could hear the voice growling on, but from where it came he could see absolutely nothing. He switched the lights off—fast.

"Anything wrong?" the voice asked. "No—no—," gasped Mencken. "Not much that is."

"There isn't a scratch on me, is there?" the voice persisted.

Mencken passed his hand over his eyes; the hair on the back of his neck prickled, and he felt a

## Olson, School Troops Exec, Awarded Legion of Merit

Colonel Tupper and his staff, Col. William H. Schaefer, commanding officer of ITD No. 2 and the recipients of awards reviewed the parade. Troops of ITD No. 2 marched under command of Lt. Col. John R. Riley. The 267th AGF Band, led by CWO Morris R. Pommitt, furnished music.

The Legion of Merit award was presented to Lt. Col. Hardin L. Olson, executive officer of School Troops, at a formal review held at the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga., on Friday, November 16, 1945.

Colonel Olson won the award "for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services, as commanding officer, 1st Battalion, 345th Infantry from January 13, 1945, to May 1, 1945. Lieutenant Colonel Olson rendered outstanding service by the exemplary manner in which he led his unit in the breakthrough of the Siegfried Line, the crossing of the Kyll, Moselle and Rhine Rivers, and the rapid advance across Germany almost to the Czechoslovakian border."

**SILVER STAR**

Colonel Tupper presented the Silver Star to Capt. James W. Ireland of Hq. and Hq. Detachment, Captain Ireland gained the award for gallantry in action in the vicinity of Sainlez, Belgium, on December 30, 1944.

During the program, the following members of School Troops received the Purple Heart award: Sgt. Frank D. Zaborowski, Cpl. Samuel S. Cleary, Cpl. Matthew Steppenson, Cpl. Joseph L. Morille, Cpl. Anthony Slogish, Cpl. Frederick Weaver, Pfc. John A. Russell and Pvt. Henry J. Chaprek.

**SOFTBALL TROPHY**

The School Troops softball championship trophy was given to the Sixth Infantry Training Company, ITD No. 2, and was accepted by Sgt. Leo J. Crestivon, Cpl. Ralph P. Deliso, in behalf of the Ninth Infantry Training Company.

**BASKETBALL PROVES A ROUGH GAME IN TEXAS**

TAHOKA, Tex., (ALNS)—Folks take their basketball seriously in Tahoka. The high school team lost its fifth game on Friday, October 19, and within the following six days Coach H. W. Stewart resigned his post. Hancock's home was subjected to a barrage of rotten eggs; 19 members of the school board resigned in their protest; Supt. Hancock went to the hospital for treatment of a head wound received in a school tussle, and then resigned; Principal Vernon Brewer resigned; and then members of the school board resigned. "That's," says the latest communication.

## Baker Village Experiences Huge Turnover of Families

Experiencing more than a 33 per cent turnover of families within a 40-day period, the Baker Village rental office is continuing at a rapid pace in keeping all of the 1,000-family apartments filled to capacity. George McKinney, superintendent of the housing development, announced. A total of 32 families moved in and out of the Village in the 40-day period.

With all soldiers in all grades now eligible for apartments in the popular housing settlement near the post, Mr. McKinney reports that more than 80 units have been rented to soldiers in the lower grades since Oct. 1.

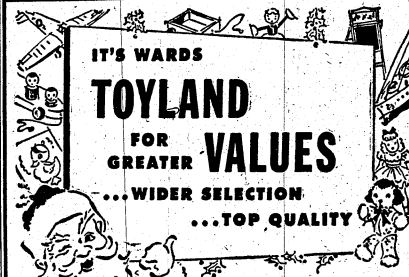
Soldiers and their families seeking one or two bedroom apartments can usually be assigned quarters in about a week's time, it was announced, although delays have been encountered in obtaining sufficient three-bedroom apartments for larger families.

Civilian families for a time were assigned units in the Benning Park Homes section usually reserved for officers' families, but now that sufficient applications are pouring in from officer applicants Benning Park Homes are being reserved for them.

Soldiers in first three grades are still given priority in the filling of rental applications, Mr. McKinney said, although those in lower four grades can expect rentals in a week to 10 days.

**TOO OLD FOR SCHOOL? CONSIDER MRS. ADA KING**

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—(ALNS)—The attention of war veterans who think they are too old to go back to school is allied to the case of Mrs. Ada King, who is the mother of 81 and is attending the University of Rochester to take the course in philosophy. She is the oldest coed on the campus.



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## "The Return To Corregidor" Written By Red Cross Man From 503rd Parachute Unit

"The Return To Corregidor" is a thrilling little book written by Harold Templeman, American Red Cross Field Director for the 503d Parachute Regimental Combat Team.

It describes the airborne attack in the retaking of Corregidor last February. Templeman's book portrays the action from start to finish, using personal experiences of officers and enlisted men in the 503d to add to the realism of the situation in this hazardous, yet successful operation.

### DIFFICULT LEAP

Templeman lucidly pictures the difficulty of the jump on the "crazy" rubber balloons. The Corregidor's famed "Topside" He also tells of the difficulties faced by the 317th Troop Carrier Group in their unarmored and unarmored C-47s, making their passes over jump zones individually and limit their sticks to eight men for each run. During these runs, the jumpers were exposed to heavy fire from anti-aircraft guns in concealed emplacements which had not been knocked out in previous bombing raids.

Despite the difficulties of the terrain, and the fact they were outnumbered five to one by the Japs, the paratroopers soon had "Topside" under control and were able to cover the amphibious landing of the 34th Infantry at San Jose beach.

The entire "Topside" operation was completed within two and a half hours after the first paratrooper hit the island.

**ACTION ON "TOPSIDE"**

The author ably portrays the action on the "Rock." The Howitzers, taken from containers dropped in paratrooper chutes, and Hill's tunnels; demolition squads dropping high explosive charges down the ventilators of the underground fortress; squads with flame throwers scorching the Japs out of caves and pill boxes. The story is a blend of terror and humor picturing the paratroopers in action.

### Quail-

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It has been announced by the Fish and Game Commission, however, the killing of turkey hens is forbidden.

The use of rifles will not be permitted in hunting, and hunters are warned to consult regulations to make themselves familiar with the restricted areas where hunting will not be permitted. Turkey blinds must be registered with the Provost Marshal's office.

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## An Army Wife Shops in Columbus

By Phyllis

Candy is eaten, perfume evaporates and hosiery develops runs, so isn't it logical that something a bit more lasting is a particularly practical Christmas gift? Good photographs will be cherished for years by the giftee, so why not let the MAURICE PHOTO STUDIO take care of all the members on your shopping list? They're open on Sundays as well as all during the week for your convenience. Time's a waste, so if you'd like a single picture or photograph or any of the combinations, which are truly price bargains, make your appointment or drop by this studio, which is located in the Main Theatre building on the Main Post.

The J. A. KIRVEN COMPANY has numerous suggestions to help you make the coming Christmas holidays the best ever. First of all to help save hours of tedious work when you polish up the family silver for the festivities, they suggest using Dippo silver cleaner. Drop silver in Dippo, rinse and wipe dry, and presto, it sparkles and gleams all in the matter of ten seconds. To get your floors gleaming with a minimum amount of effort they suggest Taven non-rub floor wax and Taven point cleaner for the woodwork. Other ideas for the actual entertaining side of the holidays are informal buffet accessories cleverly fashioned of amber glass with brass and blond wood trim. These tid-bit servers, wine sets, ice-tubs and mugs should be especially suitable for the informal type of entertaining many

## Collins Named Assistant Exec. At Headquarters

Designation of Col. Carter Collins as assistant executive officer, while Col. James O. Tarbox is acting post commander and other changes in administrative personnel positions were announced this week.

Colonel Collins, who has been control officer for more than a year and a half in addition to many other duties, has also been designated executive officer, but the designation was charged to principal duty.

**KNOTT SWITCHED**

Succeeding Colonel Collins as control officer is Lt. Col. Ernest J. Knott who was transferred to Post Headquarters from command of the 1st Cavalry Division Training Unit three weeks ago. Colonel Knott relinquishes the post of Information and Education officer and Capt. John W. Inzer, who was I & E Officer before assuming the post of War Bond Officer, will reassume his former I & E post. The War Bond Officer's title was changed to Post Savings Officer and Capt. Inzer will have this job as an additional duty.

Maj. John M. Lohr succeeded his chief, Lt. Col. Alexander H. Veazey, as head of the Athletics and Recreation Branch upon the latter's separation from the service on Nov. 15.

## 60-Day POWs Now Eligible For Discharge

All personnel who were prisoners of war, out of U. S. control for minimum of 60 days, are now eligible for discharge. However, regular Army officers and enlisted men serving under unexpired enlistment contract after June 1, 1945, are not included among the eligibles.

The provision for discharge are listed in Section II, of WD Circular 339, 45.

It will be necessary for those men seeking separation under this provision to make application for discharge in their individual units. Eligibility for separation under this direction will be determined by the processing of recommendations for promotions of eligible personnel as provided in current directives.

## Lawson Trucks Sold to Vets

More than 500 veterans crowded the first "veterans' preferential" sale of surplus trucks at Lawson Field, Fort Benning, Wednesday—the first of a three day sale to be held to liquidate more than 200 trucks of all types.

Holding certificates from the Smaller War Plants corporation in Atlanta and Birmingham, veterans swarmed over the lots where the trucks were on display.

The sale, conducted by the War Department's Department of Commerce and reported more than 150 of the trucks sold when the sale stopped at 5 p. m.

W. K. Hicks, chief field property officer, conducted the sale of trucks ranging from half-ton pick-ups to two and a half ton cargo trucks. Most of the buyers were interested in the larger trucks.

Prices for the "surplus" trucks ranged from \$118 to \$1,000. The sale prices were determined in advance for each vehicle with allowances made for necessary repairs and missing parts. Veterans were also given another price reduction based on the total sales price.

The sale was extended until Friday noon in order to accommodate the veterans. Other sales will be held at various camps in the Fourth Service Command, Mr. Hicks said.

## Colombian A. A. F. General Visits TIS

Brig. Gen. Leopoldo Piedra Hita, chief of the Colombian Air Force, who is inspecting Army bases in the United States, spent two days last week at The Infantry School, viewing demonstrations of various field weapons.

General Piedra Hita was guest of Maj. Gen. John W. O'Daniel, commander of The Infantry School, during his visit.

Staff officers who accompanied General Piedra Hita were: Lt. Col. Louis Rodriguez, Maj. Aurelio Gutierrez and Maj. Gabriel Pineraz.

## Thanksgiving—

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ing, so that others will be able to eat and praise God also. Only the shared blessing will make God real in our world. God seemed near when my mother understood me. God seemed near when a friend helped me in my burden. God seemed so near when my young people worshipped at the altar, or sang their carols, or carried baskets of good things to the poor or visited the sick. And God will seem near when a man will share what he has with another in need. Let me say to you, my friends, that I give no thought to another's lack. Save me, Eternal Father from the traditional phrases of Thanksgiving, from solemn assemblies, burnt offerings or meat offerings, unless I help to make justice roll down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.

**THANK GOD FOR SHARED BLESSINGS**

Thus I sing the praise of eating and offering Thanksgiving for food and every material benefit. Thank God for home and family, for friend and loved ones, for America and its privileges and opportunities. Thank God for necessities and luxuries, for satisfactions and pleasures and amusements, for radios and flying machines. Thank God for all these things. But thank God, too, for the shared blessings—for unless we share our bread with the hungry of the world, there is no peace for this generation or for our children's children.

"Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel Who only doeth wondrous things. And blessed be his glorious name forever: And let the whole earth be filled with his glory."

"O thou strong Father of all nations, draw all thy great family together with an unending peace of our common blood and destiny, that peace may come on earth at last, and thy sun may shed its light rejoicing on a holy brotherhood of peoples. Amen." This spirit of goodwill among men depends upon man's willingness to share the Bread of God with his neighbor and upon the wisdom of the nations as they cooperate for the welfare of one another.

Bread is a blessing. Bread which is shared is God's blessing for all men everywhere. Thank God for Bread and the sharing of Bread.

## Mermaids R. In Season



ESTHER WILLIAMS literally made a big splash in motion pictures. A national swimming champion, she was signed by M-G-M without even so much as a screen test. She will do a difficult underwater ballet in the Technicolor extravaganza "Ziegfeld Follies."



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The only applications which can be filled are for those who qualify for reasons of military necessity, industrial reconversion, public health or public safety, illness or other emergency cases.

Among the highest categories to be served are those of military personnel where it is certified that the service is a military necessity.

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The telephone company will continue to recognize such cases as certified to them by certifying officers at Fort Benning, F. B. Patterson, district manager of the company, wrote Colonel Rosenberger. Any other requests made by military personnel should be referred in person to the telephone company in order that the application may be discussed with a view of determining any other factors which may enter into which he might qualify.

"You have been most cooperative in assisting the telephone company in conserving the limited amount of available facilities for essential usage," Mr. Patterson wrote. "We will appreciate your continued assistance as necessary equipment for serving all applicants on a current basis will not be available for many months."

## TIS Grad Earns Medal Of Honor

Capt. Robert P. Nett, New Haven, Conn., who was commissioned in The Infantry on December 1942, has been awarded the Medal of Honor for heroic action in battle against the Japanese, the War Department announced.

The 23-year-old Connecticut Combat Infantryman, then a first lieutenant, was wounded three times while successfully spearheading a bayonet assault against a Japanese stronghold on Leyte Island which had stalled a 77th Infantry advance for two days last December.

### RENEW ADVANCE

The successful assault led by Captain Nett made possible the renewal of the Division's northward advance up Highway 2 from Ormae.

Up ahead of his men as acting commander, Captain Nett was seriously wounded in the neck and abdomen but continued in the fight, bayoneting and shooting Japanese until wounded a third time, in the chest. Then, he lay down and waited for his Executive Officer, he left unassisted for medical treatment.

### OLD GEORGE OF MAQUIS KILLED BY NAZI PATROL

PARIS, France—(ALNS)—Affectionately known as "Old George" to fellow members of Paris Post No. 1, The American Legion, George Aubrey didn't have to give his life in War II—but he did. He had been commander of Paris post, and commander of the Department of France for The American Legion—and when German forces invaded France, he became a leader in the French underground. His end came when he was captured by German troops following a brush between a patrol of Maquis led by Aubrey, and a body of German soldiers, on July 19, 1944. Aubrey had hidden in a ravine, wounded in the arm and shoulder. When discovered by the Germans, he was summarily executed on the spot. In recognition of his bravery and his service to France, he was posthumously named an honorary citizen of St. Armand, Montreuil, a village in Cher province.

### ADMIRAL SENDS POST HIS CARD AS SOUVENIR

MELROSE, Mass. (ALNS)—Rear Admiral Forrest Sherman, deputy chief of staff of the U. S. Pacific fleet, has sent a souvenir to his American Legion Post here, which will be displayed in the post quarters. The souvenir is a miniature of the 1943 membership card from Melrose Post 90, which he carried on his person during the campaigns of Tarawa, Saipan, Guam, Leyte, Okinawa, Iwo Jima, the first meeting with the Japs in Manila, and finally to the Japanese surrender in Tokyo Bay. Touring the Budhist and Shinto shrines in Japan with Admiral Nimitz, these facts were attested to along with other information stamped on the card—and it is now back where it started an eloquent souvenir of American victories in the Pacific.

## Justice Roberts Named Chairman Of Clemency Board

Owen J. Roberts, former Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, has accepted appointment as Chairman of the War Department Clemency Board, which recently began to review the cases of all of the 94,200 military prisoners now serving general court martial sentences, with a view to effecting such reduction in sentences as may be warranted on the basis of the individual records in each case.

In announcing the appointment of Justice Roberts, Under Secretary of War Kenneth C. Royall said: "The aim of the Clemency Board is to assure the application of even-handed justice through the review of sentences adjudged by the courts martial in all parts of the world. The acceptance of the chairmanship by Justice Roberts will be of extreme assistance in guaranteeing that the highest standards of fairness will be maintained in the post-war review and the Clemency will be granted wherever it is warranted."

In addition to Justice Roberts, the members of the War Department Clemency Board are Austin H. McCormick, Vice-Chairman; Brigadier General R. M. Ramey, Colonel Hubert D. Hoover and Colonel Conrade Snow, with Lieutenant Colonel James F. Hendrick serving as alternate in the temporary absence of Colonel Snow.

## Answers Of The Week

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1. (a) Discussion of the atomic bomb. (b) Financial aid to Britain and the related effort by American government to assist in world trade. (c) The problem of Palestine.

2. (a) Keep the secret as it stands now, primarily in American hands. (b) Give it to the Security Council of United Nations. (c) Use it as the basis for creating some new form of world government.

3. He proposed that unions appoint their own "czar" for settling jurisdictional disputes.

4. True. President Green and Murray both began their union careers as members of the United Mine Workers, the union which John Lewis now heads.

5. Former President Isias Medina Angarita of Venezuela.

6. Yes. Under the Succession Act of 1886, the Chief Justice is twelfth in line, after the Vice President and members of the cabinet.

7. Third Republic Presidents were chosen by a National Assembly of the Senate and Chamber.

8. The French public owns about 51 per cent; the British government owns 44 per cent.

9. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, head of Army Section Forces.

10. The States set voting qualifications—but these are subject to constitutional review by the Supreme Court.

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# Eisenhower Advocates Universal Military Training

## Famed General Speaks To House Committee

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Believing that the entire question of Universal Military Training is of great importance to those of us who intend to remain in the Army as well as those of us about to return to civilian life, the Bayonet herewith presents the transcript of the statement made by General Dwight D. Eisenhower, commanding general of the United States Forces in the European Theater, before the House Military Affairs Committee on Thursday, November 15th.

Gentlemen, in the interests of conciseness I have prepared a brief statement which I will read; then, I would like to make a few extemporaneous remarks. After that, I will be glad to answer any questions.

I understand that the official views and detailed plans of the War Department are being presented to you by others. I hope you will allow me to speak, not as a representative of the War Department, but as a citizen and as a professional soldier to whom has been given a peculiar opportunity to participate in the greatest effort ever made by our citizen-soldiers. My personal views are largely based on that unique experience.

The men who won the victories of Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany were able to do so solely because of the individual and unit training—their ability to work as a team. The long periods spent in training camps in the United States and in England were essential to the perfection of this teamwork. It is this teamwork, this battle-hardening, and our teams were superb! Certain phases of this training are highly technical involving radar, signal communications, air operations, construction, transportation and ordnance. All this

work is interdependent, and each part is vital to success. All of it was minutely geared to an equally complex schedule of tactical ground force movement which required perfect unit training and above all—timing.

**TIME IS ESSENCE**  
Time has always been of the essence in warfare but never was it more essential than in our most recent war. With the introduction of atomic and electronic warfare and the astounding advances being made almost hourly in aerial warfare, the tempo is increasing in geometric progression. If war comes to us again the fact seems inescapable that we will not have time to train units before we are faced with the final issue of defeat or victory. Certainly it would be military suicide to gamble on a fortuitous recurrence of the time to prepare bought by the blood of our Allies in 1917 and in 1942. We must be prepared on M-day—the day the enemy strikes—or we may never be prepared to avert defeat at the hands of an aggressor who uses against us the weapons of the future. Our weapons must be better than theirs on that day, our resources must be promptly available and above all our men must have already been trained. This training must be given in time of peace. Without a standing army of prohibitive size this can only be accomplished by training our civilian reserve, our citizen-soldiers. The most democratic way to do this is by universal military training, in which every able-bodied young man is fitted to discharge his duty to protect our freedom. This has been the ultimate solution in every major war. The most democratic way to do this is by universal military training, in which every able-bodied young man is fitted to discharge his duty to protect our freedom. This has been the ultimate solution in every major war.

**IRE CONCURS**  
I understand that to be the issue before this Committee. Although I know the general plans, I have not had time to familiarize myself with all the working details of the War Department's plan for Universal Military Training, nor am I familiar with the testimony already presented to this Committee. However,



**COLOMBIAN AIR OFFICERS VISIT THE INFANTRY SCHOOL.**—The mechanism which operates a radio controlled target plane at The Infantry School is explained to Brig. Gen. Leopoldo Piedrahita, commanding general of the Colombian Air Force, and other Colombian Air Officers during a visit last week to The School. Left to right, Lt. Carlos Lozano, School interpreter; Lt. Col. Luis Rodriguez, Colombian Air Force; General Piedrahita, Maj. Gabriel Pineres, Colombian Air Force; Major Bruce K. Baumgardner, U. S. A.; Maj. Bryan W. Brown, U. S. A., and Maj. Gen. John W. O'Daniel, commandant of The Infantry School. (Official U. S. Army Photo—The Infantry School)

am familiar with the President's message and with the Woodrum Committee report. I cannot state too emphatically my complete agreement with the recommendations contained in those documents. On the basis of my obligation to the three million Americans that served under me in Europe, I strongly urge their early adoption. Upon the expiration of Selective Service we should be prepared to commence the training of young men who did not form a part of the armed forces in this war. Although the veterans of this war constitute at this moment a splendidly trained reserve, we must keep it constantly and currently re-inforced by younger increments trained in the most advanced techniques which research and development in the technology of warfare are bringing forth at such a rapid rate. We must train them to avert World War III, not re-fight World War II.

**NEED YOUNG MEN**  
I believe that every combat leader in our Armed Forces agrees that success is possible only when the mass of the Army is composed of younger men. They are more readily adaptable to combat conditions and possess more vigor and dash. Certainly, the technical services must comprehend a high proportion of younger men who

are capable of mastering the radically new techniques of future warfare. Therefore, it is a matter of necessity as well as fairness to add increments of currently trained young men to the civilian reserve. The alternatives are the criminal sacrifice of untrained young men, or calling on unfair proportions of older men who have already done their duty. In either event we would be without the services of trained technical specialists who will only be found among the younger men.

**MILITARY POTENTIAL**  
I have been privileged to represent the United States in a responsible position in the Armed Forces of the United Nations. In this capacity, I am intimately familiar with the attitude of the leaders of the other United Nations to the Armed Forces of the United States. This familiarity assures me that in their minds there exists no fear of our moves in keeping ourselves strong. It is my personal opinion, that the greatest single motive force for world peace today is the organized military potential of the United States—its resources, its technological advancement and its superbly trained manpower. This organization is being demobilized at an unprecedented rate but its potential for the maintenance of peace will continue so long as the world is convinced of our willingness and ability to vitalize it in time to meet any threat or aggression from any other power. This is our greatest assurance of keeping the peace for which we fought. Far from being contrary to the purpose and intent of the United Nations Organization, I consider it to be essential to the success of that organization. I know of no better or more democratic way to demonstrate our willingness and ability than to train our citizen army who fought and won this war in two ways. First, it is the best way of assuring them they did not fight in vain. Second, it will relieve them in the shortest possible time of continuing to bear the burden, as the current trained civilian reserve, of defending the peace.

**MUST FACE FACTS**  
Gentlemen—I have heard many arguments about the desirability or undesirability of Universal Military Service from a more educational and religious standpoint. These factors have always been of the greatest concern to me in the discharge of my functions of command. There is no question

but that the sum-total of these values makes up the very essence of the thing we fought to preserve—our American way of life. But the fact of today must be faced. The preservation of our way of life in a world which twice within a single generation has fought to virtual exhaustion depends squarely upon the national security. That is a truism. I sincerely believe that the only practicable way to assure the national security is by peace-time military training and that this must be universal. No practicable alternative, that I have heard of, has ever been suggested. Therefore, I believe arguments as to incidental disadvantages or benefits to be foreign to the main issue. I feel completely confident that the Congress can provide all the necessary safeguards to prevent abuses of a method forced upon us by a necessity which must be faced.

I feel sure that no true American would be willing to take on his own shoulders the awful responsibility for actively prohibiting all training and thus leaving our country defenseless and naked before a future enemy armed with the weapons of that day. But our fighting forces in war are always made up of civilians, so failure to provide for the training of the civilian reserve amounts to nothing less than condemning us to such a state of helplessness. A large standing army would certainly be much more objectionable on all of these grounds even if it were not economically impossible to maintain one of sufficient size without impoverishing the country.

**MAN'S RIGHTS**  
An aspect of this whole problem that deeply concerns me is that of the rights and the interests of the young men destined to receive the training. I wonder whether any honest opponent of peace-time training has any clear conception of the difference between the trained and untrained men in the battlefield. In terms of the larger issue of victory or defeat comparison is scarcely possible, because in modern war it is not possible to win without training. But in the more personal matter of the individual's chances for survival I should say that the trained combat soldier has at least three times the chances of the untrained to live to become a veteran.

I have sincerely searched my mind on this whole problem. Through the past 13-12 years the picture of the progressive destruction of civilization which war brings was constantly before me. I keenly felt the burden of the terrible responsibility I bore. I shuddered particularly at the thought how close our own beloved country came to being afflicted with the same devastation and our own people with the same indescribable sufferings that came to the people of Europe. I know that if it had not been for the time given us by the almost superhuman efforts of our Allies, we would not have been able to mobilize our resources or to train our men to avert disaster. I know that the nature of the weapons available to future aggressors make it ridiculous to hope that we will somehow miraculously be given the same time again. Our resources must be already available, our weapons must be second to none in speed and effectiveness. This means that we must be pre-eminent in technical research and in industrial mobilization, and we must have a trained force large enough to make our resources and

weapons instantly available for our needs.

Thus we will be a potent power to preserve the peace, and in position to act swiftly in our own preservation if the tragedy of war again appears. I do not see how we can escape the inexorable logic of the fact that if we are to attain and maintain this reasonable and necessary position we must have a trained reserve of citizens in being. This means that we must train them in peacetime.

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